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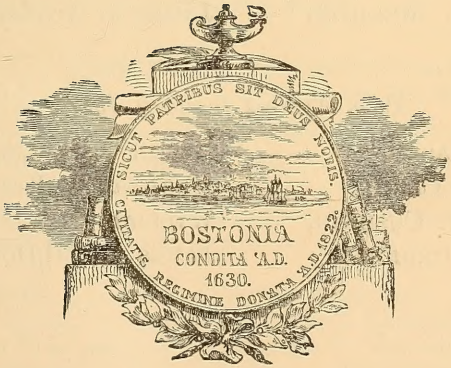
OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

CITY OF BOSTON

1903



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Boston. School Committee.
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

1903.

Term Expires January, 1904.

ANNA BARROWS,
WILFRED BOLSTER,
CHARLES L. BURRILL,
JULIA E. DUFF,
GEORGE A. O. ERNST,
WILLIAM J. GALLIVAN,
DANIEL S. HARKINS,
FRANK VOGEL.

Term Expires January, 1905.

JOHN A. BRETT,
GEORGE E. BROCK,
THOMAS J. KENNY,
WILLIAM F. MERRITT,
MARK B. MULVEY,
ROBERT T. PAINE, JR.,
PHINEAS PIERCE,
JAMES J. STORROW.

Term Expires January, 1906.

JOHN H. CASEY,
ELLERY H. CLARK,
GRAFTON D. CUSHING,
MARY A. DIERKES,
DAVID A. ELLIS,
HERBERT J. KEENAN,
WILLIAM T. KEOUGH,
JAMES A. MCDONALD.

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In School Committee, January 12, 1903.

The meeting for the organization of the Board of School Committee of the City of Boston, for this municipal year, was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, on Monday, January 12, 1903, being the second Monday in said month, at seven and one-half o'clock P.M.

Present: All the members.

The Board was called to order by Mr. James A. McDonald, the senior member.

At the request of the Chair, prayer was offered by Rev. Philo W. Sprague.

Members with unexpired terms.

The following members of the Board of last year continue in office, having unexpired terms: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Kenny, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow and Vogel.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Board of Election Commissioners; members-elect of School Committee.

Board of Election Commissioners,
Boston, Dec. 22, 1902.

To Thornton D. Apollonio, *Secretary, School Committee:*

Sir, — We hereby certify that, as appears by the record of the votes cast for members of the School Committee, at the municipal election, held on the ninth instant, the following-named persons were duly elected, for the term of three years:

John H. Casey,	David A. Ellis,
Ellery H. Clark,	Herbert J. Keenan,
Grafton D. Cushing,	William T. Keough,
Mary A. Dierkes,	James A. McDonald.

JOHN M. MINTON,
MELANCTHON W. BURLEN,
CHARLES R. SAUNDERS,
DAVID B. SHAW,
Board of Election Commissioners.

Placed on file.

Credentials of members-elect.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Mulvey, Harkins, and Paine a committee to collect the credentials of members-elect.

The committee having attended to that duty, reported that credentials had been received from the newly-elected members, as follows:

For three years. — John H. Casey, Ellery H. Clark, Grafton D. Cushing, David A. Ellis, Herbert J. Keenan, William T. Keough, James A. McDonald.

The report was accepted and the credentials placed on file.

Mr. Paine moved that Miss Dierkes, who had failed to present her credentials, be allowed the privileges of the Board.

Passed unanimously.

Mr. Kenny offered the following:

Rules and Regulations not involving expenditure of money adopted.

Ordered, That the Rules of the Board and the Regulations of the Public Schools of last year which do not involve the expenditure of money, be adopted for the present year until otherwise ordered.

Passed unanimously.

Mr. Burrill offered the following:

Rules and Regulations involving expenditure of money adopted.

Ordered, That the Rules of the Board and the Regulations of the Public Schools of last year, which involve the expenditure of money, be adopted for the present year until otherwise ordered.

Passed unanimously.

Election of President.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the Board proceeded to the election of a President and the Chair directed the Secretary to call the roll.

The members, as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows:

1st roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins and Keenan — 4.

For John H. Casey. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Miss Barrows, Messrs.

Bolster, Burrill, Ernst, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 7.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 4.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Messrs. Brock, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Keough, and Paine — 6.

For Frank Vogel. — Mr. Mulvey — 1.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, a second roll-call was ordered with the following result: 2d roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins and Keenan — 4.

For John H. Casey. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 5.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 4.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 9.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, a third roll-call was ordered with the following result: 3d roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, and Keenan — 4.

For John H. Casey. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 5.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 4.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 9.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

4th roll-call.

On motion of Mr. Brock, a fourth roll-call was ordered with the following result:

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, and McDonald — 5.

For John H. Casey. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Kenny, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 6.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff and Mr. Merritt — 2.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 9.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

5th roll-call.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, a fifth roll-call was ordered with the following result:

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, and Kenny — 4.

For John H. Casey. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 5.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Keenan, McDonald, and Merritt — 4.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 9.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

Recess.

At the conclusion of the fifth roll-call, Mr. Burrill moved that the Board take a recess of five minutes.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the Board voted, at 8.17 o'clock P.M., to take a recess of ten minutes.

At the expiration of the recess, the members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee chamber, and were called to order by the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Brock, a sixth roll-call was ordered with the following result: 6th roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, and Mr. Harkins — 3.

For John H. Casey. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 6.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 5.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 8.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, a seventh roll-call was ordered with the following result: 7th roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Mr Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, and McDonald — 4.

For John H. Casey. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 6.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Keenan, Kenny, and Merritt — 4.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 8.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, an eighth roll-call was ordered with the following result: 8th roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, and Kenny — 4.

For John H. Casey. — Mr Brett — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 6.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Keenan, McDonald, and Merritt — 4.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 8.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

9th roll-call. On motion of Mr. Brock, a ninth roll-call was ordered with the following result:

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, and McDonald — 4.

For John H. Casey. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 6.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, and Mr. Merritt — 2.

For William F. Merritt. — Messrs. Gallivan, Keenan, and Kenny — 3.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine —8.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

10th roll-call. On motion of Mr. Vogel, a tenth roll-call was ordered with the following result:

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, and Mr. Harkins — 3.

For John H. Casey. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 6.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, and Mr. Merritt — 2.

For William F. Merritt. — Messrs. Gallivan, Keenan, Kenny, and McDonald — 4.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 8.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

Recess. At the conclusion of the tenth roll-call, on motion of Mr. Kenny, the Board voted at 8.41 o'clock, P.M., to take a recess of ten minutes.

At the expiration of the recess, the members of the

Board reassembled in the School Committee chamber, and were called to order by the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, an eleventh roll-call was ordered, with the following result: 11th roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Miss Dierkes — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Mulvey, Pierce, and Storrow — 5.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mr. Casey, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 7.

For James A. McDonald. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For William F. Merritt. — Messrs. Gallivan and Vogel — 2.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 8.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, a twelfth roll-call was ordered, with the following result: 12th roll-call.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 6.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 8.

For James A. McDonald. — Mr Brett — 1.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 8.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

At the conclusion of the twelfth roll-call, on motion of Mr. Brock, the Board voted at 8.58 o'clock P.M. to take a recess of five minutes. Recess.

At the expiration of the recess, the members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee chamber, and were called to order by the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, a thirteenth roll-call was ordered, with the following result: 13th roll-call.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Miss Barrows, Messrs.

Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Ernst, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 10.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 8.

For James A. McDonald. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Messrs. Clark, Cushing, Ellis, and Keough — 4.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

14th roll-call. On motion of Mr. Mulvey, a fourteenth roll-call was ordered, with the following result:

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Ernst, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 10.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 8.

For James A. McDonald. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Messrs. Clark, Cushing, Ellis, and Keough — 4.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

15th roll-call. On motion of Mr. Burrill, a fifteenth roll-call was ordered, with the following result:

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Ernst, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 10.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 8.

For James A. McDonald. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Messrs. Clark, Cushing, Ellis, and Keough — 4.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, a sixteenth roll-call was ordered, with the following result: 16th roll-call.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Ernst, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 10.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 8.

For James A. McDonald. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Messrs. Clark, Cushing, Ellis, and Keough — 4.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Brock, a seventeenth roll-call was ordered, with the following result: 17th roll-call.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Ernst, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 10.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 8.

For James A. McDonald. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Messrs. Clark, Cushing, Ellis, and Keough — 4.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

At the conclusion of the seventeenth roll-call, on motion of Mr. Brock, the Board voted at 9.19 o'clock P.M. to take a recess of fifteen minutes. Recess.

At the expiration of the recess, the members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee chamber, and were called to order by the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, an eighteenth roll-call was ordered, with the following result: 18th roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Mulvey — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Miss Barrows, Messrs.

Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Ernst, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 9.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 8.

For James A. McDonald. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Messrs. Clark, Cushing, Ellis, and Keough —4.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

19th roll-call. On motion of Mr. Paine, a nineteenth roll-call was ordered with the following result:

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 3.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, Merritt, and Mulvey — 9.

For James A. McDonald. — Mr. Brett —1.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 10.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

20th roll-call. On motion of Mr. Bolster, a twentieth roll-coll was ordered with the following result:

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 4.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, and Merritt — 8.

For James A. McDonald — Mr. Brett — 1.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 10.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, a twenty-first roll-call was ordered with the following result: 21st roll-call.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 4.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mr. Merritt — 1.

For James A. McDonald. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, and McDonald — 8.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 10.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

At the conclusion of the twenty-first roll-call, Mr. Cushing announced that he desired to withdraw his name.

On motion of Mr. Gallivan, the Board voted at 9.45 o'clock P.M. to take a recess of fifteen minutes. Recess.

At the expiration of the recess, the members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee chamber, and were called to order by the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, a twenty-second roll-call was ordered, with the following result: 22d roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Kenny — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 4.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, and Mr. Merritt — 2.

For James A. McDonald. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, and McDonald — 6.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 10.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

23d roll-call.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, a twenty-third roll-call was ordered, with the following result:

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, and McDonald — 6.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 4.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, and Mr. Merritt — 2.

For James A. McDonald. — Mr. Brett — 1.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 10.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

24th roll-call.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, a twenty-fourth roll-call was ordered, with the following result:

For John A. Brett. — Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, Kenny, and McDonald — 4.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 4.

For William J Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Keenan, and Merritt — 3.

For James A. McDonald. — Messrs. Brett, and Casey — 2.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 10.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

Recess.

At the conclusion of the twenty-fourth roll-call, on motion of Mr. Kenny, the Board voted at 10.09 o'clock P.M., to take a recess of ten minutes.

At the expiration of the recess, the members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee chamber, and were called to order by the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Brett, a twenty-fifth roll-call was ordered, with the following result: 25th roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Miss Dierkes — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 3.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Keenan, McDonald, and Merritt — 4.

For James A. McDonald. — Messrs. Brett, Casey, Harkins, Kenny, and Mulvey — 5.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 10.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, a twenty-sixth roll-call was ordered, with the following result: 26th roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Miss Dierkes — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 5.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff and Mr. Merritt — 2.

For Thomas J. Kenny. — Messrs. Harkins and McDonald — 2.

For James A. McDonald. — Messrs. Brett, Casey, Keenan, and Kenny — 4.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. —Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 9.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

At the conclusion of the twenty-sixth roll-call, on motion of Mr. Casey, the Board voted at 10.25 o'clock P.M. to take a recess of ten minutes. Recess.

At the expiration of the recess, the members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee chamber, and were called to order by the Chair.

Election of Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Gallivan, the Board proceeded to the election of a Secretary.

The members, as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows:

For Thornton D. Apollonio. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 24.

The Chair declared Thornton D. Apollonio elected as Secretary of the Board.

Secretary qualified.

The Secretary of the Board was qualified as Secretary of the Corporation, taking the oath of office.

Election of Auditing Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Gallivan, the Board proceeded to the election of an Auditing Clerk.

The members, as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows:

For William J. Porter. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 24.

The Chair declared William J. Porter elected as Auditing Clerk.

Election of Messenger.

On motion of Mr. Gallivan, the Board proceeded to the election of a Messenger.

The members, as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows:

For Alvah H. Peters. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 24.

The Chair declared Alvah H. Peters elected as Messenger of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, a twenty-seventh roll-call for the election of a President was ordered, with the following result: 27th roll-call.

For Wilfred Bolster. — Mr. Burrill — 1.

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Kenny — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Pierce, and Storrow — 3.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, and Mr. Merritt — 2.

For Thomas J. Kenny. — Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, McDonald, Mulvey, and Vogel — 8.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 8.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Casey, a twenty-eighth roll-call was ordered, with the following result: 28th roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Kenny — 1.

For Charles L. Burrill. — Mr. Bolster — 1.

For John H. Casey. — Mr. Harkins — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 4.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, and Mr. Merritt — 2.

For Thomas J. Kenny. — Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Keenan, and McDonald — 5.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 9.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Casey, a twenty-ninth roll-call was ordered, with the following result: 29th roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Kenny — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 4.

For William J. Gallivan.— Mrs. Duff, and Mr. Merritt — 2.

For Thomas J. Kenny. — Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, and McDonald — 6.

For William F. Merritt. — Messrs. Gallivan, and Mulvey — 2.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 9.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

Recess. At the conclusion of the twenty-ninth roll-call, on motion of Mr. Casey, the Board voted at 10.50 o'clock P.M. to take a recess of five minutes.

The Board reassembled.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, the Board at 10.55 o'clock P.M. took a further recess of ten minutes.

At the expiration of the recess, the members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee chamber, and were called to order by the Chair.

30th roll-call. On motion of Mr. Burrill, a thirtieth roll-call was ordered, with the following result:

For John H. Casey. — Messrs. Brett, Gallivan, Kenny, and McDonald — 4.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Messrs. Bolster, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 5.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, and Merritt — 6.

For James J. Storrow. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Paine — 9.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

Adjournment. On motion of Mr. Paine, the Board adjourned to meet on Friday evening, Jan. 16, at 7.30 o'clock.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

In School Committee, January 16, 1903.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M.

Present: All the members.

The Board was called to order by Mr. James A. McDonald, the senior member.

The Chair announced that the credentials of Miss Dierkes had been received and placed on file. Credentials of Miss Dierkes.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, the Board proceeded to the election of a President, and the Chair directed the Secretary to call the roll.

The members, as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows: 1st roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Kenny — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Miss Barrows, Mr. Bolster, Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Ernst, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 9.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff and Mr. Merritt — 2.

For Thomas J. Kenny. — Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, and McDonald — 6.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Messrs. Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Keough, and Paine — 5.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

At the conclusion of the first roll-call, on motion of Mr. Storrow, the Board voted, at 8.10 o'clock P.M., to take a recess of fifteen minutes. Recess.

At the expiration of the recess, the members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee chamber, and were called to order by the Chair.

2d roll-call.

On motion of Mr. Brock, a second roll-call was ordered, with the following result:

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Kenny — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Ernst, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 9.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, and Merritt — 4.

For Thomas J. Kenny. — Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, and Mr. McDonald — 4.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Messrs. Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Keough, and Paine — 5.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

3d roll-call.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, a third roll-call was ordered, with the following result:

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Kenny — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Ernst, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 9.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, and Mr. Merritt — 2.

For Thomas J. Kenny. — Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, and McDonald — 6.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Messrs. Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Keough, and Paine — 5.

The Chair declared that there was no election.

Recess.

At the conclusion of the third roll-call, on motion of Mr. Kenny, the Board voted at 8.46 o'clock P.M. to take a recess of five minutes.

At the expiration of the recess, the members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee chamber, and were called to order by the Chair.

Mr. Storrow thereupon announced that he desired to withdraw his name as a candidate for the Presidency.

On motion of Mr. Paine, a fourth roll-call was ordered, with the following result: 4th roll-call.

For John A. Brett. — Mr. Kenny — 1.

For Grafton D. Cushing. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 13.

For William J. Gallivan. — Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Keenan, and Merritt — 3.

For Thomas J. Kenny. — Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, and McDonald — 5.

For William F. Merritt. — Mr. Gallivan — 1.

For James J. Storrow. — Mr. Keough — 1.

The Chair declared that a majority having voted for Grafton D. Cushing, he was consequently elected as President of the Board. Election of President.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Gallivan and Storrow a committee to escort the President to the chair.

The President in the chair.

The President addressed the Board as follows:

Members of the Board:

There will come before this Board for decision a great many important questions. On these questions there is bound to be a difference of opinion, a difference of opinion which need not lead to any personal feeling. I hope that the Chair at the end of the year will be found to have expedited business, and that his rulings will have been impartial and just. I thank you for choosing me to preside over your deliberations.

Mr. Ernst moved that when the Board adjourn, it be to meet on Wednesday, Jan. 21, at 5 o'clock P.M. Adjourned meeting.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, the Board proceeded to the election of a Schoolhouse Custodian, and the Chair directed the Secretary to call the roll. Election of Schoolhouse Custodian.

The members as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows:

For Edward C. Baldwin. — Miss Barrows, Messrs.

Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 24.

The Chair declared Edward C. Baldwin elected as Schoolhouse Custodian.

Election of Treasurer.

The Chair announced that the next business in order was the election of a Treasurer of the Corporation, and directed the Secretary to call the roll.

The members, as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows:

For James A. McDonald. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Storrow, and Vogel — 22.

For Mrs. Duff. — Messrs. McDonald and Pierce — 2.

The Chair declared James A. McDonald elected as Treasurer of the Corporation.

Mr. Bolster offered the following:

Committees to report in print.

Ordered, That the several committees may, with the permission of the Board, make any report in print which they deem proper.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, it was

Unfinished business referred.

Ordered, That the unfinished business of last year, referred to this Board, be referred to the appropriate committees, when appointed.

On motion of Mr. McDonald, it was

Special committee to have charge of exhibit of Boston schools at Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

Ordered, That a special committee of three be appointed to prepare and have charge of an exhibit of the work of the public schools at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, to be held in St. Louis during the year 1904.

Appropriation for Boston

On motion of Mr. McDonald, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be re-

quested to include in their annual appropriation order for the ensuing financial year a suitable amount to cover the expense of an exhibit of the work of the public schools of this city, to be made at the city of St. Louis during the year 1904.

schools' exhibit at Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

The following communication was read:

Communication from School Board; report of Committee on School Houses; proposed new Normal and Girls' Latin School-houses.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, December 23, 1902.

The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred — Nov. 11 — an order that the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be informed that, in the opinion of this Board, immediate action by said commission toward procuring a site for and the erecting of a new Normal School building is desirable, and that they be requested to procure at once a suitable site for the same, — and an order that said Board be requested to purchase a site and erect a building thereon for the Girls' Latin School, at the earliest possible date, report that, in the opinion of your committee, a new Normal School building is a very pressing need, and probably should be placed first on the list of new requirements, but they are informed that at present there are no funds in the hands of the Schoolhouse Commission available for the erection of any new buildings. They therefore recommend that this matter be referred to the next School Board. For the same reason, viz., that no funds are available, they recommend that the proposed site and building for the Girls' Latin School be also referred to the next School Board.

For the Committee,

C. L. BURRILL,
Chairman.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

A true copy.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses, when appointed.

The following communication was read:

Communication from School Board; amendment to Rules and Reg-

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, December 23, 1902.

Ordered, That the amendments to the Rules and Regulations, as printed in the Minutes of Oct. 28 (pages 423–426, inclusive), in

ulations; three years' course in Normal School.

connection with the three years' course in the Normal School are hereby adopted.

Referred to the next School Board.

A true copy.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations, when appointed.

The following communication was read:

Communication from School Board; Committee on Vacation Schools and Extended Use of School Buildings to be made standing committees.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, December 23, 1902.

Ordered, That the Committee on Vacation Schools and the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings be united into one standing committee of the School Board.

Referred to the next School Board.

A true copy.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations, when appointed.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Mayor; communication from Common Council; improved system of signalling for no-school session.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN COMMON COUNCIL, December 23, 1902.

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to take such action as may be necessary to improve the system of signalling for no-school sessions in stormy weather, so that the pupils in all sections of the city, particularly in the North End, may be properly notified. And, further, that said School Committee be requested to report to the Common Council whether any action is necessary on the part of the City Council or the head of any department to carry out this improvement.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, December 23, 1902.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

ARTHUR W. DOLAN,
President.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, December 26, 1902.

Referred to the School Committee, for such action as may be considered best.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations, when appointed.

The reading of the records of the meeting of Jan. 12 was dispensed with, the Board approving them as printed. Approval of records.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

In School Committee, January 21, 1903.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at five o'clock P. M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brett, Casey, Gallivan, Harkins, McDonald, Paine, and Storrow.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, the reading of the records of the meeting of Jan. 16 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Frank Vogel; service on Committee on Courses of Study and Text-Books and on Music.

Grafton D. Cushing, Esq., *President of the School Committee of the City of Boston:*

Dear sir,— I herewith respectfully request that in making up your committees for the coming year you will not consider my name for the committees on courses of study and text-books and music. I make this request, because in your public utterances on this subject during the last election you have been reported as saying in substance, that you would make the same appointment if you had it to do again. Allow me also to state as concisely as may be my position in this matter.

As you are well aware, last year I made no requests whatever with reference to assignments to committees, nor did I express any preferences when personally questioned by you. When I was elected to membership on the Boston school committee I felt it incumbent upon me to perform without question whatever duties were assigned to me to the extent of my ability. Whatever has been assigned to me to do I have tried to do for the best interests of the schools. When I was appointed a member of the text-book committee the question of propriety in serving as such never for one moment occurred to me. The election of authors to membership on school boards, and their appointment to text-book committees has been so long prevalent in Boston and other places that it had apparently become a matter of custom. Men of far larger publishing interests than I could ever hope to have, more

distinguished and far abler than myself, have served as members of this committee, and have performed duties as members of the text-book committee not only without having criticism cast upon them, but with the highest degree of efficiency. I do not quote these men for the purpose of excusing myself, but rather to show that custom has proven it wise and usual to have such men serving in this capacity.

Among the prominent men who served upon the school committee of Boston, and in most instances upon the text-book committee, are the following: Mr. Francis H. Underwood and Mr. W. T. Adams (Oliver Optic), both having as publishers Lee & Shepard; Dr. W. A. Mowry, having as publishers Silver, Burdett & Company; President Francis A. Walker of the Institute of Technology, and Prof. A. Lawrence Lowell, who had contracts with Houghton, Mifflin & Company; also Brooks Adams, Samuel Eliot and Rev. J. T. Duryea. Prior to 1876 I find the names of the following prominent authors who, it is fair to presume, served as members of the text-book committee, or at least were consulted with regard to text-books, or certainly had a vote on the adoption of books: Ralph Waldo Emerson, Thomas Starr King, Francis Parkman, Dr. Dio Lewis, Kate G. Wells, William R. Alger, T. M. Brewer, S. K. Lothrop, Edward S. Morse, Lucretia A. Crocker, Lucia M. Peabody, Charles Hutchins, and S. Arthur Bent.

Just across the Charles, in another city, there has never been a time, so far as I can learn, when there has not been an author upon the board serving as a member of the text-book committee. Horace E. Scudder, for a long time chairman of the board and text-book committee, was connected with Houghton, Mifflin & Company; Prof. Albert Bushnell Hart, publishes not only with Macmillan & Company but with other houses; Prof. Paul Hanus, who was a member of the text-book committee, has as publishers the firm of Ginn & Company. Among others in the same city are Mrs. Stickney and Profs. Goodwin and Taussig. Dr. D. B. Hagar, whose name is respected and revered by all who knew him, served for many years as chairman of the text-book committee and chairman of the school board in the city of Salem. Among other men serving in this capacity here in New England are Prof. C. F. A. Currier and Dr. A. F. Blaisdell of Winchester. Elsewhere, President Butler of Columbia and Harper of Chicago; Mr. C. M. Woodward of St. Louis and Dr. Rosenau of Baltimore.

When President Eliot recommended, and the secretary of war appointed, Alexis E. Frye as superintendent of schools in Cuba, did the fact that he was the author of a series of geographies, published by Ginn & Company, prove an objection? And yet the entire responsibility of selecting books for the schools there was to be placed in his hands. Similar facts are true with regard to Prof. Martin G. Brumbaugh of the University of Pennsylvania,

who is now superintendent of schools in Porto Rico, and who had a series of readers published by Christopher Sower & Company.

It will thus be seen that the wisdom and propriety of an author's holding this position had already been determined by custom here in New England and elsewhere, and I could not admit that my position had any impropriety in it, without bringing into question the reputation of those who have preceded me, and others who are contemporary and serving similarly elsewhere. Still further, I do not look upon this matter as pertaining solely to school committees, but rather as an affair involving other boards before whom the selection of books must come, such as trustees and examining committees of libraries. The last annual report of our own library gives a list of all who have ever served as trustees. This list is graced with such names as Samuel Carr, James Freeman Clarke, Edward Everett, George S. Hillard, George Ticknor, Francis A. Walker, Edwin P. Whipple, Justin Winsor and many others; while the list of examining committees is luminous with such names as W. T. Adams (Oliver Optic), W. R. Alger, W. F. Apthorp, Mrs. Mary E. Blake, Phillips Brooks, Mellen Chamberlain, Edna D. Cheney, J. T. Duryea, Samuel Eliot, J. T. Fields, Horace H. Furness, George A. Gordon, Robert Grant, T. W. Higginson, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Prof. Barrett Wendell, and scores of others.

Had I resigned last year as a member of the text-book committee it would have been an implied criticism not only on authors who have filled such positions before, but also upon those who are now occupying positions on other boards in other cities and towns and upon educational boards in general. I for one am not willing to admit for an instant that authors or editors performing service upon these boards are even possibly governed by personal considerations to the detriment of those large interests which are committed to their hands. I cannot, therefore, believe that my resignation was called for, and I did not propose to stultify myself, nor to bring into disrepute those who have acted in a similar capacity, as I should have done, if I had resigned. The full significance of such an act would involve not only this special committee and this board but every board acting in an educational capacity in every public institution in this country. The same argument against service upon the text-book committee would apply equally to the service upon the school committee. This same attack could be made upon superintendents, supervisors and teachers in schools and professors in institutions under public control. The names and reputations of those making text-books who are serving upon boards in this city are well known to you. In other cities I mention only a few: Superintendent Maxwell of New York; Jones, formerly of Cleveland; Emerson of Buffalo; Greenwood of Kansas City; Boone of

Cincinnati; Brooks of Philadelphia; Deane of Bridgeport; Walsh of Brooklyn; Cogswell of Cambridge; Southworth of Somerville; Gay of Malden; Parlin of Quincy; Hall of North Adams; Aldrich of Brookline; Balliet of Springfield, and so on without number. Are these gentlemen directly interested in the selection of text-books to resign or to cease to write text-books? Observe what is involved in this question: If these men are not able and capable of making and selecting text-books who is?

Still further, this question involves the selection of men who are to serve upon the school board in the future. Shall the public lose the services upon the school committee of men like William T. Harris, President Eliot of Harvard, Prof. Sedgwick of the Institute, President Roosevelt of the United States, and thousands of other men of equal fitness and ability? If I had felt that my resignation would have settled this matter satisfactorily and absolutely, I should not have had the slightest hesitancy in giving it.

I have now completed the duty assigned me and am ready to render account to my fellow-citizens (even to the most exacting) on the method, efficiency and honesty of my stewardship. The fact, however, that there may be at the present time a misconception in the public mind in regard to the contractuary relations of authors and publishers leads me to make the above request.

I wish to assure you that your confidence and high esteem for me as manifested by my appointment to the responsible committees on the board is highly appreciated.

Yours most respectfully,
FRANK VOGEL.

Ordered to be printed in the records.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, it was

Special Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings to be appointed.

Ordered, That a special committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, to consist of five members, be appointed by the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Keough, it was

Additional ungraded class, Lyman District.

Ordered, That an additional ungraded class, making three in all, be established in the Lyman District.

Mr. Burrill offered the following:

Naming of new Norman-street Schoolhouse.

Ordered, That the new Norman-street School building now in process of erection be named the William Blaxton School, in honor of the first settler of Boston.

Referred to the Committee on Names of Buildings, when appointed.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 481 minors to be licensed as newsboys, and of 21 to be licensed as bootblacks. Minors' licenses.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Chair appointed the following standing committees, also the Normal, High School, Division, and Special Committees, viz.: Standing committees.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Accounts. — Phineas Pierce, *Chairman;* Messrs. Brock, Ernst, Gallivan, and Merritt.

Courses of Study and Text-Books. — Wilfred Bolster, *Chairman;* Mr. Clark, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Merritt, and Pierce.

Drawing. — James A. McDonald, *Chairman;* Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Keough, and Mulvey.

Evening Schools. — John A. Brett, *Chairman;* Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Mulvey, Storrow, and Vogel.

Horace Mann School. — Anna Barrows, *Chairman;* Mr. Brett, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, and Keough.

Hygiene and Physical Training. — James A. McDonald, *Chairman;* Mr. Clark, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, and Keenan.

Legislative Matters. — John H. Casey, *Chairman;* Messrs. Clark, Keenan, Pierce, and Vogel.

Manual Training. — Frank Vogel, *Chairman;* Messrs. Brock, McDonald, Keough, and Mulvey.

Music. — Robert T. Paine, Jr., *Chairman;* Miss Barrows, Messrs. Cushing, Kenny, and Storrow.

Names of Buildings. — Grafton D. Cushing, *Chairman;* Messrs. Casey, Ellis, Gallivan, and Pierce.

Rules and Regulations. — George A. O. Ernst, *Chairman;* Messrs. Bolster, Casey, Cushing, and Kenny.

Salaries. — George E. Brock, *Chairman;* Misses Barrows, Dierkes, Messrs. Keough, and Storrow.

School Houses. — Charles L. Burrill, *Chairman;* Messrs. Brock, Brett, Ellis, and Keough.

Supplies. — Thomas J. Kenny, *Chairman;* Messrs. Burrill, Ernst, Harkins, and Paine.

Truant-officers. — Mark B. Mulvey, *Chairman;* Messrs. Ernst, Harkins, Keenan, and McDonald.

NORMAL, HIGH SCHOOL AND DIVISION COMMITTEES.

(*Alphabetic order. Chairmen elective.*)

Normal School. — Messrs. Bolster, Casey, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, and Paine.

High Schools. — Messrs. Bolster, Burrill, Gallivan, Merritt, and Vogel.

First Division. — Messrs. Brett, Keough, McDonald, Storrow, and Vogel.

Second Division. — Messrs. Bolster, Burrill, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ernst, and McDonald.

Third Division. — Miss Barrows, Mr. Burrill, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, and Kenny.

Fourth Division. — Messrs. Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Mulvey, and Paine.

Fifth Division. — Miss Barrows, Messrs. Casey, Clark, Gallivan, and Paine.

Sixth Division. — Messrs. Brock, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, and Kenny.

Seventh Division. — Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Ellis, Merritt, and Pierce.

Eighth Division. — Messrs. Brock, Ernst, Keough, Mulvey, and Vogel.

Ninth Division. — Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, Merritt, and Storrow.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Extended Use of School Buildings. — James J. Storrow, *Chairman;* Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brett, Clark, and Paine.

Mr. Ernst requested that he be relieved from serving as a member of the Committee on Supplies.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the aforesaid appointments.

The appointments were approved.

The following petition was read:

Petition from Joseph Lee; observance of laws regarding licensed minors.

BOSTON, Jan. 21, 1903.

To the Honorable the School Committee of the City of Boston:

The undersigned, in behalf of a number of citizens of Boston interested in the matter, respectfully petitions your honorable body to take such measures as may be necessary to secure the enforcement of the laws and the observance of the conditions imposed by your honorable body, in regard to the sale of newspapers, etc., by persons under 14 years of age. It is respectfully suggested that the attention of the Boston Police Commission be called to the importance of this matter, and that the Commission be requested by your honorable body to appoint one or more special officers to see to it that the laws and conditions governing this matter be strictly enforced. I further respectfully petition your honorable body to employ a special officer to follow up the matter and to furnish evidence of violation of such laws and conditions, both to the Superintendent of Schools and to the police.

Very respectfully,

JOSEPH LEE.

96 Mt. Vernon St., Boston.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Common Council; suspension of school sessions March 17, 1903.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Jan. 15, 1903.

Ordered, That the School Committee, through His Honor the Mayor, be requested to cause the regular sessions of the Public Schools to be suspended on Tuesday, March 17, 1903, and that exercises commemorative of Evacuation Day be held in the schools in place of the same.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Jan. 15, 1903.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

ARTHUR W. DOLAN,
President.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, Jan. 20, 1903.

Referred to the School Committee.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

In School Committee, January 27, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Keough, McDonald, and Paine.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The Superintendent presented the following:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Hancock District. — Adelaide R. Donovan, assistant, Primary School, Jan. 6, 1903.

Lewis District. — Agnes R. Elliott, assistant, Kindergarten, Jan. 5, 1903.

Mather District. — Emma F. Temple, assistant, Kindergarten, Jan. 5, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Blanche L. Bachelder, assistant, Grammar School, Jan. 31, 1903.

Thomas N. Hart District. — Mary E. Perkins, assistant, Primary School, Jan. 5, 1903.

Winthrop District. — Mary A. Murphy, assistant, Grammar School, Jan. 5, 1903.

Permanent Substitutes. — Bertha F. Dodge, Jan. 12, 1903; Anna T. Kelley, Jan. 5, 1903; Margaret A. Murphy, Jan. 19, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations, and transfers made by the Superintendent, and certified by

him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Agassiz District. — Anna T. Kelley, Boston, Primary School, from Jan. 5, 1903.

Christopher Gibson District. — Mary A. McNaught, Boston, Grammar School, from Jan. 5, 1903.

Dearborn District. — Mary G. Finnegan, Boston, Grammar School, from Jan. 8, 1903.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Ida M. Mayers, Boston, Primary School, from Jan. 12, 1903.

Phillips District. — Bertha F. Dodge, Boston, Primary School, from Jan. 12, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Katherine G. O'Donnell, Boston, Grammar School, from Feb. 2, 1903; Blanche V. Smith, Boston, Primary School, from Feb. 2, 1903.

Roger Clap District. — Margaret A. Murphy, Boston, Grammar School, from Jan. 19, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Dorchester High School. — Esther L. Sanborn, Boston, assistant, from Jan. 19, 1903.

Bigelow District. — Annie G. Casey, Cambridge, assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 24, 1902, until Nov. 26, 1902, inclusive; Filena Colby, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 21, 1902 (one day).

Dwight District. — Catherine J. Sullivan, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 10, 1902, until Nov. 14, 1902, inclusive.

Wells District. — Jane M. Gray, Salem, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 5, 1903; Ellen F. Joyce, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 6, 1903.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

Eliot District. — Mary T. Melia, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 28, 1903. On probation.

Emerson District. — Margaret T. Leahy, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 16, 1903.

Hancock District. — Mary A. Kirby, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Jan. 6, 1903; Bertha M. Druley, Boston, principal, Kindergarten, from Jan. 5, 1903.

Hyde District. — A. Gertrude O'Bryan, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 2, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Alice A. Brophy, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 2, 1903.

Washington Allston District. — Laura Stevens, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Jan. 5, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Roxbury High School. — Charlotte W. Montgomery, assistant. Confirmations

Agassiz District. — Clara E. Bertsch, assistant, Primary School; Juliette Billings, principal, Kindergarten.

Bowdoin District. — Martha T. O'Hea, first assistant, Grammar School.

Christopher Gibson District. — Josephine E. Clark, assistant, Primary School.

Emerson District. — Abigail F. Sullivan, assistant, Grammar School.

Lawrence District. — Helen L. Holmes, principal, Kindergarten.

Lincoln District. — Eliza L. Osgood, assistant, Kindergarten.

Mary Hemenway District. — Mary A. Maloney, assistant, Grammar School; Alice G. Maher, assistant, Primary School.

Phillips District. — Ellen J. McMahon, assistant, Grammar School.

Phillips Brooks District. — Edson L. Ford, assistant, Grammar School.

Quincy District. — Adelaide R. Tavener, assistant, Kindergarten.

Roger Clap District. — Gertrude W. Simpson, assistant, Primary School.

Shurtleff District. — Mary Taylor, assistant, Primary School.

Wells District. — Ruth C. Barry, Clara B. Cochran, assistants, Kindergarten.

Schools of Cookery. — Annie F. Gray, Genevieve Huff, instructors.

Laid over, under the rule.

TRANSFERS.

Transfers.

Harvard District. — Sarah J. Worcester, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Primary School of the same district, to date from Jan. 5, 1903. Sarah V. Porter, assistant, Primary School, to the same position in the Grammar School of the same district, to date from Jan. 5, 1903.

Lowell District. — Helen L. Brown, assistant, Kindergarten, on probation, to the same position in the Lewis District, on probation, to date from Feb. 2, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOL.

Evening School instructors.

Eliot School. — Assistants, M. Gertrude Godvin, Boston, from Dec. 17, 1902; Etta C. Ernst, Boston, Clara A. Hawthorne, Boston, from Jan. 7, 1903; Helen W. Bradlee, Brookline, from Jan. 12, 1903; Susan A. McKenna, Westborough, Martha E. Tracy, Boston, from Jan. 13, 1903; Annie Lynch, Boston, from Jan. 15, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:

Girls' High School. — Helen A. Gardner, assistant, from Jan. 5, 1903, until Feb. 2, 1903; Helen C. Bacon, Boston, substitute.

Agassiz District. — Mary H. McCready, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 10, 1903, until May 10, 1903; Isabel E. Clark, Boston, substitute.

Bowditch District. — Elsie R. Cowdrey, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 5, 1903, until Apr. 1, 1903; Margaret L. Toole, Boston, substitute.

Bunker Hill District. — Angelia M. Knowles, assistant, Grammar School, from Dec. 17, 1902, until Apr. 17, 1903; Annie G. Hughes, Boston, substitute.

Charles Sumner District. — Bertha L. Palmer, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 1, 1903, until May 1, 1903; Mary J. Haggerty, Boston, substitute.

Christopher Gibson District. — Elizabeth G. Crotty, assistant, Primary School, from Dec. 1, 1902, until Apr. 1, 1903; Elizabeth R. Phelan, Boston, substitute.

Dudley District. — Frances Zirngiebel, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 13, 1903, until Apr. 13, 1903; Edward F. O'Dowd, Boston, substitute. L. Adelaide Colligan, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 5, 1903, until Apr. 1, 1903; Annie C. Lamb, Boston, substitute.

Dwight District. — Emma A. Child, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 1, 1903, until Apr. 1, 1903.

Emerson District. — Louise S. Hotchkiss, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 5, 1903, until May 1, 1903; Katharine F. Conlan, Stoneham, substitute.

Hancock District. — Gertrude F. Buckley, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 5, 1903, until May 1, 1903; Mary L. Sullivan, Boston, substitute. Anne R. Howard, principal, Kindergarten, from Feb. 1, 1903, until June 1, 1903; Elizabeth E. Curley, Boston, substitute.

Hyde District. — Caroline K. Nickerson, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 5, 1903, until Apr. 1, 1903; Alice Neilan, Boston, substitute.

John A. Andrew District. — Carrie M. Weis, assistant, Primary School, from Dec. 1, 1902, until Feb. 1, 1903; Catherine J. Sullivan, Boston, substitute.

Lawrence District. — M. Louise Gillett, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 5, 1903, until May 5, 1903; Anna J. Griffin, Boston, substitute. Maud A. Gleason, assistant, Grammar School, from Dec. 19, 1902, until Apr. 19, 1903; Marcella F. Dowd, Boston, substitute. Sarah E. Lakeman, first assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 15, 1903, until May 15, 1903.

Mary Hemenway District. — Martha E. Lang, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 11, 1903, until Apr. 11, 1903; Alice F. Connell, Boston, substitute.

Phillips District. — Leila L. Rand, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 5, 1903, until Apr. 4, 1903; Alice McGillicuddy, Boston, substitute. Ida A. Noyes, principal, Kindergarten, from Dec. 4, 1902, until Feb. 1, 1903; Winifred Ryder, Boston, substitute.

Phillips Brooks District. — A. Estella Allen, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 5, 1903, until Apr. 13, 1903; Mary C. Sinnott, Boston, substitute.

The following appointments, made by the Superintendent, and accompanied by written statements by him of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto, were presented for approval:

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Temporary teacher.

Harvard District. — Mary C. Leonard, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 15, 1903.

Approved, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Eliot School. — Assistants, Mizpeh B. Zewicker, Boston, from Jan. 12, 1903; Blanche A. Cole, Boston, Lydia E. Stevenson, Boston, from Jan. 13, 1903; Margaret A. Foley, Boston, from Jan. 15, 1903. Evening School instructors.

Wells School. — Assistant, Clara L. Haynes, Boston, from Jan. 16, 1903.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointments, and the appointments laid over, under the rule. Rules suspended.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher, for the term specified, on half pay, and her resignation was accepted to take effect Feb. 1, 1904. Leave of absence. Rules suspended.

Brimmer District. — Emma F. Burrill, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 1, 1903, until Feb. 1, 1904.

The following appointment, made by the Superintendent, in pursuance of a special order passed by the Board, was presented for approval.

EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

Assistant, Felix A. Gendrot, Boston, from Oct. 21, 1902. Evening Drawing School instructor.

Laid over, under the rule.

PERMANENT SUBSTITUTES.

The following list of substitutes, to serve in the place of absent assistants in the Grammar and Primary Schools, appointed by the Superintendent in compliance with the terms of section 146 of the Regulations, was presented for the approval of the Board. Permanent substitutes.

Margaret A. Murphy, Boston, from Jan. 5, 1903; Anna J. Harmon, Boston, from Jan. 6, 1903.

Approved.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRES.

Educational centres.

The appointments of the candidates named below as teachers in Educational Centres for the season of 1902–1903, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board.

Bigelow Educational Centre. — Annie T. Burke, Boston, Mary F. Keyes, Boston, Agnes R. Leahy, Boston, from Jan. 6, 1903; Mary H. Brick, Boston, Sarah T. Driscoll, Boston, Mary J. Seely, Boston, from Jan. 7, 1903; Effie Harcourt, Boston, Margaret A. Murphy, Boston, Caroline L. Regan, Boston, Margaret E. Roche, Boston, from Jan. 8, 1903; Teresa L. Carlin, Boston, Katherine R. Haley, Boston, Isabella J. Murray, Boston, Katherine M. Sullivan, Boston, from Jan. 9, 1903; Stephen B. Boyd, Boston, Margaret C. Donovan, Boston, Marcella F. Dowd, Boston, Mary G. McDermott, Boston, Mary E. Jones, Brookline, from Jan. 12, 1903; Florence M. Bell, Boston, Anna K. Blaisdell, Malden, Katharine J. McMahon, Boston, from Jan. 13, 1903; Mary J. Mara, Boston, Ellen E. Phalan, Boston, Clark K. Peterson, Boston, from Jan. 14, 1903; Evelyn M. Howe, Boston, from Jan. 15, 1903; Christina M. McCarthy, Boston, Mary L. E. McCormick, Boston, Mary F. Doherty, Boston, from Jan. 19, 1903; George G. Allen, Malden, Lucretia E. Berry, Chelsea, from Jan. 20, 1903.

Hancock Educational Centre. — Agnes E. McDonald, Boston, from Jan. 5, 1903.

Lowell Educational Centre. — Annie G. Conroy, Boston, Clark K. Peterson, Boston, from Jan. 5, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

The Superintendent reported that he had designated Ella C. Jordan, assistant principal in the Horace Mann School for the Deaf, to take charge of said school during the illness of Sarah Fuller, principal, on Dec. 8, 9, and 10, 1902 (three days).

Assistant Principal to take charge of Horace Mann School.

Placed on file.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 52 minors to be licensed as newsboys, of one to be licensed as a boot-black, and of one to be licensed as a pedler of small wares.

Minors' licenses.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

REVOCATION OF A MINOR'S LICENSE.

The Superintendent reported that, in accordance with the Regulations he had revoked the license of one minor to sell newspapers, for having violated the conditions on which said license was granted him.

Revocation of a minor's license.

Approved.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, presented the following report:

At the meeting of Dec. 23, 1902, the Committee on School Houses reported that, in order to effect a saving in coal, they had issued instructions that no fires be kept up in the various school buildings during the following Christmas vacation. The committee took this action only after very careful consideration of the matter, and with some hesitancy, in view of the predictions made that damage would result to the school plant if the heating apparatus should be shut down during the cold weather to be expected during this season of the year. The committee are gratified to be able to report that their instructions have been successfully carried out, and, so far as they are able to ascertain, at an expense for repairs of less than five dollars, while a very large

Report of Committee on School Houses; no fires in school-houses during Christmas vacation.

amount of coal has been saved. The weather conditions during the vacation were such as to make the test a severe one, although no extremely cold weather occurred. From Saturday, Dec. 20, until Monday, Jan. 5, there were but two days during which the thermometer did not reach the freezing point, and for a larger part of this period the minimum temperature was much less than 32°, on two days falling to 14°. During the entire period mentioned the average maximum temperature was 41°, the minimum 28°. Your committee therefore feel that their action has been fully justified, and the manner in which their instructions were carried out reflects great credit upon the janitors of the public schools.

Accepted.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Albert C. Litchfield.

Ordered, That there be paid to Albert C. Litchfield the sum of twenty dollars ($20) for services performed by him as acting janitor of the old Thornton-street School-house, from Jan. 1 to Jan. 31, 1903, inclusive.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Frank M. Murphy.

Ordered, That there be paid to Frank M. Murphy the sum of forty-two dollars ($42) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Andrews School-house, from Jan. 11 to Jan. 31, 1903, inclusive.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on School Houses; resignations, appointment, and transfer of janitors.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, reported the following resignations, appointment, and transfer:

JANITORS.

Resignations.

Andrews School-house. — Richard Walsh, from Jan. 10, 1903.

Austin and Webb School-houses. — Edward H. Gilday, from Dec. 31, 1902.

Cudworth School-house. — Samuel I. Crafts, from Jan. 14, 1903.

Accepted.

Appointment.

Old East Boston High School-house. — Edward H. Gilday, to date from Jan. 1, 1903.

Approved.

Transfer.

Minot School-house. — Charles J. Carlson, to the same position in the Cudworth School-house, to date from Jan. 15, 1903.

Approved.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, it was

Petition to Legislature for additional appropriation for fuel for schools.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legislative Matters be requested to petition the Legislature that an additional appropriation of not less than one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) be granted the School Committee for the present financial year, on account of the unusual and excessive cost of coal, and the limited quantity now in the school-houses, and other expenses,— and to appear before the proper committee of the Legislature in behalf of such a petition.

On motion of Mr. Brett, for the Committee on Evening Schools, it was

Bigelow Evening School to be known as Norcross Evening School.

Ordered, That the Bigelow Evening School be known hereafter as the Norcross Evening School.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Continuance of evening lectures under direction of Committee on Evening Schools.

Ordered, That pending the passage of the annual appropriation order for the ensuing financial year, the Committee on Evening Schools are hereby authorized to continue the evening lectures heretofore conducted

under their direction, with the understanding that the appropriation made last year for this purpose, viz. — four thousand two hundred dollars ($4,200) shall not be exceeded.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; amendments for three years' course in Normal School. [See pp. 23, 24.]

Mr. Ernst, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — Jan. 16 — an order adopting certain amendments to the Rules and Regulations in connection with the three years' course in the Normal School, reported that they have considered the matter, and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 280. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 280. The Boston Normal School is established for the purpose of giving professional instruction to the young women who intend to become teachers in the public schools of Boston. The course of study in this school shall be for three years, divided into six terms of half a year each, and shall be arranged by the Superintendent and approved by the Board.

SECT. 281. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 281. Candidates for admission must be at least eighteen years of age, unless an exception is made by the Board of Supervisors upon good cause shown, and have good health and a good moral character. They must have completed a four-years' course of study in a Boston High School, or an equivalent course of study. As an additional prerequisite for admission a special examination shall be held on the third Saturday and preceding Friday of June in each year by the Board of Supervisors, for graduates of the Boston High Schools, and for other candidates a special examination of as high degree shall be held by the Board of Supervisors on the second Wednesday and following Thursday in September. Graduates of a university or college, or of a State Normal School, approved by the Board of Supervisors, may be admitted to the school without examination, and, if they prove to be qualified, may be admitted to the senior class, and may take the kindergarten course, or any of the other optional courses in one year. Pupils shall be admitted to this school for the regular and special courses only at the beginning of a school

year. All pupils shall be put on probation, and as soon as, in the opinion of the Board of Supervisors, they prove unsuitable for this school, shall be discharged.

SECT. 282. Strike out the word "class" in the third line and insert in place thereof the word: — year, — so that the section will read as follows:

SECT. 282. Pupils who fail of promotion or graduation may join the following class; but no pupil shall repeat the work of any year more than once.

SECT. 285. Strike out the second paragraph.

SECT. 286. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 286. The head-master shall annually issue a catalogue of the school, which shall be sent to the members of the School Committee, the Board of Supervisors, and the Principals of Schools.

SECT. 287. Strike out the section.

SECT. 288. Renumber the section 287.

SECT. 289. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 288. The Superintendent shall, in the month of September of each year, designate a sufficient number of the teachers in the public schools — the number to be not less than fifty — to whom the pupils of the Normal School may be sent for observation and practice in teaching. The head-master may send the Normal pupils into the rooms of these teachers for observation and practice in teaching, under his direction, four weeks during the second term, four weeks during the third term, and four weeks during the fourth term; and he may send them, under proper guidance, to study the Museums of Natural History and Fine Arts, and important manufacturing industries. The principals of schools, in which the Normal pupils observe and practice, shall report to the head-master, in writing, their opinion of the teaching and governing ability of such pupils. Pupils, who take the kindergarten course, shall be required to observe and practice in grammar and primary schools only eight weeks. Other needed observation shall be made in the kindergartens.

SECT. 290. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 289. The Superintendent shall, after consultation with the principals of schools, appoint a sufficient number of teachers in the grammar and primary schools to act as training teachers. Each of these training teachers shall be given charge of two classes of pupils of such grade or grades as the Superintendent shall direct. The teaching of these classes shall be performed by pupil-teachers under the constant direction and guidance of the training teachers.

The head-master of the Normal School shall send the pupils of the third-year class to serve as pupil-teachers, one half of the class for the first half of the school year, and the other half of the class for the second half of the year.

It shall be the duty of the training teachers to give careful and constant supervision to the work of the pupil-teachers, to hold conferences with them regularly for the purposes of suggestion, criticism and planning of the school work, and in general to see that the pupil-teachers receive as thorough a training in the art of teaching as the conditions allow. The training teachers shall be responsible, in the same manner and to the same extent as are all other teachers, for the good conduct and progress of the classes under their charge. They shall make a report to the head-master of the Normal School upon the work of the pupil-teachers in such form and at such times as shall be approved by the Superintendent.

For this work the training teachers shall receive, in addition to their regular salary, a certain sum per year, and the pupil-teachers a certain sum per week, to be fixed by the Board annually, in the month of June.

The Supervisors shall, under the direction of the Superintendent, visit the pupil-teachers, and make a written report to him of the teaching and governing ability of each pupil-teacher visited.

The Superintendent may, at any time, return to the Normal School for further study any pupil-teacher whose work is unsatisfactory. He may fill any vacancy in the position of pupil-teacher by appointment from those holding a grammar school Class B certificate.

SECT. 291. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following :

SECT. 290. The Superintendent shall, after consultation with the director of kindergartens, designate each year a sufficient number of kindergartens in which members of the senior class of the Normal School may receive special training in the practice of the kindergarten. The head-master of the Normal School shall send the pupils of the third-year kindergarten class to serve as pupil-teachers in the kindergartens so designated for the whole of their senior year. Their assignments may be changed in the middle of the year, and at other times upon recommendation of the director of kindergartens and approval of the Superintendent.

The principals of kindergartens, in which pupil-teachers are at work, shall make a report to the head-master of the Normal School upon the work of the pupil-teacher in such form and at such times as shall be approved by the Superintendent.

During their service in the kindergartens, the pupil-teachers shall receive the pay of special assistants in kindergartens.

The director of kindergartens shall, under the direction of the Superintendent, visit the pupil-teachers and make a written report to him of the teaching ability of each pupil-teacher visited.

The Superintendent may, at any time, return to the Normal School for further study any pupil-teacher whose work is unsatisfactory.

SECT. 147. Strike out the first paragraph of the section, and substitute in place thereof the following :

SECT. 147. The instructors of this school shall be a head-master, two masters, and assistants. There shall be as many assistants as may be necessary, provided the whole number of teachers, exclusive of the head-master and masters, shall not exceed one for every twenty-five pupils. An additional instructor may be appointed for an excess of twenty pupils, and one may be removed for a deficiency of twenty. In addition to the instructors already provided for in this section, there shall be two assistants as teachers of the theory and practice of the kindergarten, and a special teacher of drawing.

SECT. 169. Strike out the word "master" in the first line and insert in place thereof the word : — masters, — so that the section will read as follows :

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SECTION 169. The salary of the masters shall be established at a minimum rate for the first year of service, with an annual increase during the succeeding five years, so that the maximum salary shall be reached for the sixth and each subsequent year of service. The salary of assistants shall be established at a minimum rate for the first year of service, with an annual increase during the succeeding eight years, so that the maximum rate shall be reached for the ninth and each subsequent year of service. The salaries of the instructors of the several ranks in the training school shall be the same as those for the same ranks in the grammar schools. The salaries of assistants in the training school kindergarten shall be the same as those of assistants in the other kindergartens.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the reading of the order was dispensed with, and it was passed to a second reading.

Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, offered the following:

Matron, Bigelow Educational Centre.

Ordered, That the employment of Margaret Mountain

as matron of the Bigelow Educational Centre is hereby approved by this Board.

Rules, suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following:

Specifications for new school-houses.

Whereas, It is alleged that there are various extravagant requirements in the specifications of several new school-houses about to be erected under the direction of the Schoolhouse Commission, this Board respectfully protests against any such extravagance, if such charges are true, and requests His Honor the Mayor to withhold his approval from such contracts until they shall be materially modified.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Mulvey, it was

Mayor's approval of contracts for new school-houses.

Ordered, That His Honor the Mayor be requested to withhold his approval of the contracts for the new school-houses now under consideration until after the next meeting of the Board.

The following petition was read:

Petition from truant-officers with regard to amending chapter 314, section 20, Acts of 1902.

BOSTON, January 19, 1903.

To the President and Members of the School Board of Boston:

At a meeting of the truant officers of this city, held this day, the undersigned were appointed a committee to petition your honorable body to take such measures as may be advisable to cause the amendment of chapter 314, section 20, of the Acts of 1902, so as to permit truant officers to arrest, detain and bring before court parties for whose arrest a warrant has been issued, said amendment to be inserted after the words: "or imprisonment for life" in the last line of said section 20, and to read as follows: "The provisions of this act shall not apply to any parties complained of under chapter 46 of the Revised Laws."

GEORGE MURPHY,
CHARLES S. WOOFFINDALE,
Committee.

Referred to the Committees on Truant Officers and Legislative Matters, sitting jointly.

The following communication was read:

Boston, Jan. 27, 1903.

Resignation of George A. O. Ernst from Committee on Supplies.

Mr. Grafton D. Cushing, *President School Committee:*

Dear Sir, — I beg herewith to tender my resignation as a member of the Committee on Supplies.

Yours truly,

GEORGE A. O. ERNST.

Accepted.

The following communication was read:

Boston, Jan. 27, 1903.

Resignation of James J. Storrow from Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Grafton D. Cushing, *President School Committee:*

Dear Sir, — I hereby resign as a member of the Committee on Salaries.

Very truly yours,

JAMES J. STORROW.

Accepted.

Appointments of committees.

The Chair appointed Mr. Ernst a member of the Committee on Salaries, and Mr. Storrow a member of the Committee on Supplies.

Approved.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALL PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, February 10, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Miss Dierkes and Mr. Gallivan.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, the reading of the records of the preceding meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Approval of appointments, confirmations and transfers laid over.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments, confirmations, and transfers of instructors, as presented at the last meeting.

The appointments, confirmations, and transfers were approved.

Amendments to Rules and Regulations; three years' course in Normal School.

The order printed on pages 46–49 of the Minutes, adopting certain amendments to the Rules and Regulations in connection with a three-years' course in the Normal School, laid over at the last meeting, was read.

On motion of Mr. Keough, laid over to the next meeting.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Mayor; communication from City Council; union label on school books.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN COMMON COUNCIL, February 5, 1903.

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to cause the union label to be placed on all school books purchased by the School Committee for use in the public schools.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, February 5, 1903.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

ARTHUR W. DOLAN,
President.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, January 6, 1903.

Referred to the School Committee.

Referred to the Committeee on Courses of Study and Text Books.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Mayor; communication from Common Council; lecture to be given at Lowell School-house.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN COMMON COUNCIL, February 5, 1903.

Ordered, That the School Committee, through His Honor the Mayor, be requested to make arrangements for a second series of public lectures upon such topics as the Committee may deem proper, to be given at the Lowell School, Ward 22, during the months of February and March, 1903.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, February 5, 1903.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

ARTHUR W. DOLAN,
President.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, January 6, 1903.

Referred to the School Committee, for such action as may be considered best.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Schoolhouse Commissioners; case for prize flags, Brighton High School.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE OF SCHOOLHOUSE DEPARTMENT,
120 BOYLSTON ST., BOSTON,
February 3, 1903.

To the School Committee, Boston Public Schools:

GENTLEMEN, — In regard to order of date June 24, 1902, as follows:

Ordered, That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners are hereby requested to provide a suitable case in the hall of the Brighton High School-house for the reception of the prize flags presented to the school by former pupils,

I am directed by the Schoolhouse Commissioners to say that the same has been made and is already in use in the building.

Respectfully yours,

H. B. FISHER,
Seeretary.

Placed on file.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Schoolhouse Commissioners; auxiliary fire-alarm system, Blackinton Schoolhouse.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE OF SCHOOLHOUSE DEPARTMENT,
120 BOYLSTON ST., BOSTON,
February 3, 1903.

To the School Committee, Boston Public Schools:

GENTLEMEN, — In regard to order of date Nov. 25, 1902, as follows:

Ordered, That the Schoolhouse Commission are hereby requested to install the auxiliary fire-alarm system in the Blackinton School-house.

I am directed by the Schoolhouse Commissioners to say in their behalf that the same has already been installed there and is now in service.

Respectfully yours,
H. B. FISHER,
Secretary.

Placed on file.

The Superintendent presented the following:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Dillaway District. — Martha M. Walker, assistant, Grammar School, Feb. 7, 1903.

Hancock District. — Bertha M. Druley, assistant, Kindergarten, Jan. 5, 1903.

Lewis District. — Helen H. Wilson, assistant, Kindergarten, Jan. 31, 1903.

Mather District. — Grace G. Howard, assistant, Grammar School, Feb. 11, 1903.

Permanent Substitutes. — Stella M. Coates, Jan. 26, 1903; Alice M. Colleton, Jan. 27, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments and confirmations, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Adams District. — Anna E. Keaney, Boston, Primary School, from Feb. 2, 1903.

Dudley District. — Alice M. Colleton, Boston, Grammar School, from Jan. 28, 1903; Mary F. Montrose, Boston, Grammar School, from Jan. 29, 1903.

Lyman District. — Henrietta A. Sullivan, Boston, Primary School, from Feb. 2, 1903.

Prince District. — Mary Nicolson, Boston, Grammar School, from Feb. 9, 1903.

Roger Clap District. — Stella M. Coates, Boston, Grammar School, from Jan. 26, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Subsequently, the following appointment, made by the Superintendent, in pursuance of a special order passed by the Board, was presented for approval:

SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Special assistant.

Roxbury High School. — Helen J. McShane, Boston, teacher of French, from Feb. 3, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Temporary teacher.

Wells District. — Margaret F. Murphy, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 19, 1903.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Brimmer District. — Klara J. Olsson, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Feb. 2, 1903.

Lyman District. — Louise G. Sullivan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 2, 1903.

Mather District. — Annie Mackenzie, Quincy, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Feb. 11 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Subsequently, the following appointment, made by the Superintendent, in pursuance of a special order passed by the Board, was presented for approval:

ON PROBATION.

Roxbury High School. — Elizabeth P. Palmer, Boston, special teacher of household science and arts, from Feb. 5, 1903. Teacher on probation.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

South Boston High School. — Henriette Goldstein, special teacher of French. Confirmations.

Bennett District. — Charlotte Adams, first assistant, Primary School.

Franklin District. — Annie M. F. Farrell, assistant, Primary School.

Lyman District. — Katharine R. A. Nolan, assistant, Grammar School.

Assistant to Director of Drawing. — Jennie C. Peterson.

Schools of Cookery. — Charlotte F. Clark, instructor.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes were approved by the Board: Leave of absence granted; substitutes approved.

Roxbury High School. — Mary E. Upham, assistant, from Feb. 3, 1903, until Apr. 6, 1903.

Dearborn District. — Eloise B. Walcott, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 26, 1903, until Apr. 27, 1903; Carrie M. Wellington, Boston, substitute.

Dwight District. — Charles E. Quirk, Boston, substitute for Emma A. Child, assistant, Grammar School,

granted leave of absence. Annie L. Curly, Boston, substitute for Frances J. White, assistant, Grammar School, granted leave of absence.

Emerson District. — Elizabeth A. Turner, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 19, 1903, until Apr. 3, 1903; Katharine F. Conlan, Stoneham, substitute.

Rice Training School. — Alice M. May, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 5, 1903, until Apr. 3, 1903; Emma C. McNamara, Cambridge, substitute.

Manual Training Schools. — Alice L. Lanman, instructor, from Jan. 7, 1903, until Mar. 1, 1903.

Instructors of Sewing. — Harriet E. Browne, from Jan. 21, 1903, until Mar. 1, 1903; Sarah A. Horan, Boston, substitute.

PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE.

Permanent substitutes.

The name of the following substitute, to serve in the place of absent assistants in the Grammar and Primary Schools, appointed by the Superintendent, in compliance with the terms of section 146 of the Regulations, was presented for the approval of the Board:

Azniv Beshgeturian, Boston, from Feb. 5, 1903.

Approved.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Minors' licenses.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 137 minors to be licensed as newsboys, of 11 to be licensed as bootblacks, and of 1 to be licensed as a pedler of small wares.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, offered the following:

Ebenezer Smith Fund for benefit of Brighton schools.

Whereas, By the last will of Ebenezer Smith, formerly of Cambridge, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, a parcel of about six and a quarter acres of woodland in Newton was given and bequeathed for the use and benefit of the school then in that part of Cam-

bridge on the south side of Charles river, which is now the Brighton District of Boston; and

Whereas, The City Council, evidently overlooking the purpose for which it was given, in the year 1883 sold said land and used the proceeds; now therefore,

Ordered, That the City Council, through His Honor the Mayor, be, and is hereby, requested to restore the then tax value of said property, to wit, $1,000, and the income thereof from the time of its payment to the City, to a fund to be known as the Ebenezer Smith Fund for the benefit of the Brighton Schools.

Passed.

Report of Committee on School Houses; specifications for new school-houses. [See p. 50.]

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred — Jan. 27 — a resolution relating to alleged extravagant requirements in the specifications of new school-houses about to be erected under the direction of the Schoolhouse Commission, reported that they have held a conference with the Commissioners on the subject, and that they were informed by them that various items that have been criticised on the ground of excessive cost were included in the specifications mainly for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not their adoption would involve an unwarranted expense, and in those instances where such was found to be the case, the Commissioners had determined upon their modification or entire removal, and that the rest of the items had not been decided upon with sufficient definiteness to form as yet a proper subject for inquiry. Furthermore, the Commissioners stated that they were in entire sympathy and accord with the report upon the subject of school-house construction adopted by this Board at its meeting of Apr. 22, 1902.

What constitutes extravagance in building operations must be largely a matter of opinion, and dependent in a considerable degree upon the financial abilities of the owner; but, so far as school buildings are concerned, your committee desire to reaffirm the opinion expressed in the report hereinbefore referred to, viz., that they should be plain, substantial structures, built in the most thorough manner, devoid of unnecessary or extravagant ornamentation, but attractive and tasteful from an architectural standpoint, and the interior fittings such as will meet the requirements of durability and fitness for the several purposes for which they are intended without being unnecessarily expensive.

Your committee, therefore, do not approve of certain items that were originally included in the specifications referred to, and

against which criticism has been directed. No one could be expected to know that it was the intention of the Commissioners to remove these items before or after the actual award of the contracts, and therefore it was a fair presumption that the specifications in certain of their requirements would probably involve an expense considerably greater than your committee could consistently approve. But the construction of new school buildings is exclusively a function of the Schoolhouse Commissioners, whose acts are not subject to the approval of this Board. It is consequently obvious that the School Committee cannot be held responsible for what it can neither govern or control; and your committee, having stated the result of their consideration of, and their opinion on, the subject referred to them, recommend that no further action be taken with regard to the matter.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Report of Committee on School Houses; resignation and appointments of janitors.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, reported the following resignation and appointments:

JANITORS.

Resignation.

Freeman School-house. — Jennie Harvey, to date from Feb. 1, 1903.

Accepted.

Appointments.

Austin and Webb School-houses. — Lottie F. Trites, to date from Feb. 1, 1903.

Thornton-street School-house. — Albert C. Litchfield, to date from Feb. 1, 1903.

Approved.

Expenditure for temporary and substitute janitor service.

Mr. Burrill for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts are hereby authorized to draw the sum of two hundred dollars ($200) from the city treasury, to be placed in the hands of the Auditing Clerk for meeting the cost of temporary and substitute janitor service, the same to be accounted for before the close of the fiscal year, and to be charged to the appropriation for salaries of janitors.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Report of Committee on School Houses; gymnastic apparatus for use at Lowell Educational Centre.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, to whom was referred from the files of last year, an order that the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to furnish such additional gymnastic apparatus as the Physical Director may approve of, for use at the Lowell Educational Centre, reported that they have given this matter due consideration, and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the School-house Commissioners be requested to furnish and set up in the Lowell School-house, eight stall bars, one set of parallel bars, and a combination vaulting and horizontal bar.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Payment to George E. Gilday.

Ordered, That there be paid to George E. Gilday the sum of sixty-two dollars ($62) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Austin and Webb School-houses for the month of January, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to William Swanzey.

Ordered, That there be paid to William Swanzey the sum of six dollars ($6) for extra cleaning of the windows of the Baldwin School-house.

Laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; regulations of Kindergartens.

Mr. Ernst, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred from the files of a previous year section 240 of chapter XVII. of the Regulations relating to the kindergartens, reported that they have duly considered the same, and recommend that no further action by the Board is necessary.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Casey, for the Committee on Legislative Matters, presented the following:

Report of Committee on Legislative Matters; bills before Legislature.

The Committee on Legislative Matters, in accordance with the rule requiring them to keep the Board informed as to all bills before the Legislature relating to the public schools, report that there are now pending in the Legislature the following bills, copies of which are hereto annexed:

1. *House Bill No. 213.* — Being a bill relative to the age up to which children are required to attend the public schools.
2. *House Bill No. 224.* — An Act to direct the State Board of Education to appoint an agent to promote instruction in music in the public schools. Hearing before Committee on Education Feb. 11, at 11 o'clock A.M.
3. *House Bill No. 232.* — An Act relative to the attendance at the public schools of children under sixteen years of age.
4. *House Bill No. 607.* — Being a bill to provide for the election of a school superintendent, who shall, with nine assistants to be known as the School Committee of the City of Boston, exercise the powers now exercised by this Board, including the appointment of teachers and janitors.
5. *House Bill No. 635.* — An Act to provide for the establishment of a State Parental School for girls.
6. *House Bill No. 848.* — An Act relative to the commitment and release of truants in the City of Boston.
7. *House Bill No. 849.* — An Act relative to the release of truants from truant schools.
8. *House Bill No. 974.* — An Act to authorize the City of Boston to borrow money for school purposes beyond the limit fixed by law.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, the Secretary was instructed to furnish each member of the Board with a copy of each of the aforesaid bills.

Mr. Brett, for the Committee on Evening Schools, offered the following;

Extension of term of Evening Schools.

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools are hereby authorized, in their discretion, to extend the term of the Evening High School and of any of the

Evening Elementary Schools for a period not exceeding four weeks from Mar. 13, 1903.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, a report and order from the Committee on Rules and Regulations recommending that the Regulations be amended so as to provide that pupils in the Evening High School who have been given diplomas, and who desire to continue in the school for the purpose of pursuing other subjects included in the course of study, may, in recognition of such work, receive an additional diploma on the same terms as the first diploma is granted, reported that they are heartily in favor of the plan, and therefore recommend the passage of the following order, which is substantially the same as the one reported by the Committee on Rules and Regulations:

Report of Committee on Evening Schools; second diploma of graduation to Evening High School pupils.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 322. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 322. The Board of Supervisors shall award certificates of proficiency in the different branches of study to such pupils in the Evening High School at the close of the term as shall have passed a satisfactory examination with questions adopted by the Board of Supervisors. A pupil receiving certificates of the aggregate value prescribed by the course of study shall be entitled to a diploma; and a pupil already holding a diploma who shall have been granted additional certificates, whose aggregate value shall equal that assigned to a diploma, shall be entitled to a second diploma.

The report was accepted.

The rule requiring the reference of the order to the Committee on Rules and Regulations was suspended, and the order passed to a second reading.

Mr. McDonald, for the Committee on the Annual Report, presented the annual report of the School Committee for 1902 (School Document No. 15, 1902).

Annual Report of School Committee, 1902.

Accepted.

Mr. Bolster offered the following:

Special teacher of household science and arts, Roxbury High School.

Ordered, That a special teacher of household science and arts be allowed in the Roxbury High School, to date from Feb. 5, 1903.

Mr. Pierce moved that the order be referred to the Committee on Accounts.

The motion was declared passed.

Mr. Harkins doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

Mr. Pierce's motion to refer was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Cushing, Ernst, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 9.

Nays: Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Casey, Clark, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, and Mulvey — 13.

Absent: Miss Dierkes and Mr. Gallivan.

The order passed.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, it was

Special assistant to teach French, Roxbury High School.

Ordered, That a special assistant, to teach French only, be allowed in the Roxbury High School, the services of such assistant to date from Feb. 3, 1903, and to be limited to the present school year.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

Board of Supervisors to report course of instruction for vacation schools.

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to report at or before the first meeting of this Board in April next ensuing, a course of instruction or scheme of work to be observed in the Vacation Schools.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, it was

Proposed transfer of office of truant officers.

Ordered, That the Committee on Truant Officers consider the advisability of transferring the office of the truant officers from the present quarters to a vacant room in the Brimmer School building.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, it was

Investigation of latrines and individual closets.

Ordered, That the Committee on Hygiene and Physical Training be requested to investigate and

report upon the comparative sanitary advantages of latrines and individual closets for school-house use.

Mr. Mulvey presented the following:

To the members of the Boston School Committee:

We, the undersigned, residents and property owners at Forest Hills and vicinity, respectfully petition that a school-house be erected in this immediate vicinity to accommodate the children of this growing community.

Petition from Richard E. Cochran *et als.*; new school-house, Forest Hills.

RICHARD E. COCHRAN,
and 188 others.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Ernst offered the following:

Ordered, That an expenditure not exceeding four hundred dollars ($400) be allowed for the expenses of the Superintendent and Supervisors to attend the meeting of the Department of Superintendence of the National Educational Association, to be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 24–26, 1903.

Superintendent and Supervisors to attend meeting of National Educational Association

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

In School Committee, February 24, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Gallivan and Kenny.

On motion of Mr. Keough, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Approval of appointments and confirmations laid over.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments and confirmations of instructors, as presented at the last meeting.

The appointments and confirmations were approved.

Amendments to Rules and Regulations; three years' course in Normal School. [See p. 53.]

The order printed on pages 46–49 of the Minutes, adopting certain amendments to the Rules and Regulations in connection with a three-years' course in the Normal School, laid over at the last meeting, was read.

On motion of Mrs. Duff, the order was laid on the table.

Subsequently, on motion of the same member, the order was taken from the table.

Mrs. Duff offered the following amendments to the foregoing, and moved that the same, together with the original order reported by the Committee on Rules and Regulations, be laid over to the next meeting:

Whereas, Two of these proposed amendments to the Rules and Regulations are at variance with our Superintendent's suggestions (Report, 1902, page 23), which read as follows: "The third improvement (pupil teaching) could not well be made on a large scale at once, but might be started as an experiment, and allowed to grow as fast as success justified it"; and

Whereas, Three compulsory years in the Normal School make no provision for unusual intellectual brilliancy, extra work, or adaptability for teaching on the part of the pupil; and

Whereas, The requirement of a diploma from outside candidates for admission to the school would tend to raise the standard of requirements for such candidates; and

Whereas, Men graduates of colleges are not now admitted to the Boston Normal School; and

Whereas, These submitted amendments support a course of study which the Board of Supervisors had no part in making, and in the making of which some admirable suggestions of the Supervisors (as per course,—Minutes, Jan. 28, 1902) were given no place; and

Whereas, These amendments will permit of girl graduates of colleges completing the courses in technical training in five months, while compelling other students to take five times this period for the same work; and

Whereas, By the compulsory lengthening of the present course many Boston girls who would add strength to our teaching force must be deprived of the opportunity for preparation to teach; and

Whereas, The investigations of the State Board of Education (as set forth in its latest report just published) in ten Normal Schools show that a third year added to the regular course of two years should be voluntary, not compulsory; and

Whereas, It will be seen from the following record of appointments taken from the files, that there is not an over-production of teachers in our Boston Normal School, but an over-appointment of teachers from outside of Boston:

From September, 1899, to September, 1900, there were 149 new teachers appointed. Only eighty-six of these, or 57.7 per cent., were graduates of the Boston Normal School.

From September, 1900, to September, 1901, there were 200 new teachers appointed. Only one hundred twenty-nine of these, or 64.5 per cent., were graduates of the Boston Normal School.

From September, 1901, to September, 1902, there were 177 new teachers appointed. Only ninety-four of these, or 53.1 per cent., were graduates of the Boston Normal School.

Average, 58.5 per cent. of all appointments.

Therefore, be it

Ordered, That the amendments to the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows: —

1. Sect. 280. Strike out the last three lines and substitute the following: — The regular course of study in this school shall be for two years, a third year being permitted for advance study and practice. The courses of study shall be arranged by the Superintendent and Supervisors and approved by the Board.

2. Sect. 281. Insert in the sixth line, after the word "study," the words: — with diploma.

Insert in the nineteenth line, after the word "year," the following: — Commencing September, 1903, men graduates of colleges may be admitted under the same requirements as those now provided for women graduates of colleges.

SECTIONS 289 and 290, strike out.

And also, be it

(*a.*) *Ordered*, That the Superintendent be requested to suggest such special legislation as will permit him to experiment at the earliest possible date upon the provisions as set forth in Sections 289 and 290 of the proposed amendments, such experiments being in accordance with the suggestions in his report of 1902, page 23.

(*b.*) *Ordered*, That the Superintendent and Board of Supervisors be requested to outline a course of study, covering two compulsory years and one additional year of Normal school work.

Mr. Ernst, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, offered the following amendments to the order printed on pages 46–49 of the Minutes:

SECT. 289. Strike out the fourth paragraph, viz.:

For this work the training teachers shall receive, in addition to their regular salary, a certain sum per year, and the pupil-teachers a certain sum per week, to be fixed by the Board annually, in the month of June.

SECT. 290. Strike out the third paragraph, viz.:

During their service in the kindergartens, the pupil-teachers shall receive the pay of special assistants in kindergartens.

On motion of Mr. Casey, the order offered by the Committee on Rules and Regulations, together with the foregoing pending amendments, was laid over to the next meeting.

The following order took its second reading:

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

Amendment of Regulations; second diploma of graduation to Evening High School pupils. [See p. 63.]

SECT. 322. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 322. The Board of Supervisors shall award certificates of proficiency in the different branches of study to such pupils in the Evening High School at the close of the term as shall have passed a satisfactory examination with questions adopted by the Board of Supervisors. A pupil receiving certificates of the aggregate value prescribed by the course of study shall be entitled to a diploma; and a pupil already holding a diploma who shall have been granted additional certificates, whose aggregate value shall equal that assigned to a diploma, shall be entitled to a second diploma.

Passed.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed.

Payment to George E. Gilday. [See p. 61.]

Ordered, That there be paid to George E. Gilday the sum of sixty-two dollars ($62) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Austin and Webb School-houses for the month of January, 1903.

Payment to William Swanzey. [See p. 61.]

Ordered, That there be paid to William Swanzey the sum of six dollars ($6) for extra cleaning of the windows of the Baldwin School-house.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Mayor; communication from Common Council; payment of janitors by week.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN COMMON COUNCIL, Feb. 12, 1903.

Ordered, That the School Committee, through His Honor the Mayor, be requested to arrange for the payment of the janitors of the public school-houses weekly instead of monthly.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Feb. 12, 1903.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

ARTHUR W. DOLAN,
President.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, Feb. 15, 1903.

Referred to the School Committee.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

The following resignations reported by the Superintendent were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Dudley District. — Edith E. Knowlton, assistant, Primary School, Mar. 1, 1903.

Minot District. — Annie T. Kelley, assistant, Primary School, Feb. 12, 1903.

Permanent Substitute. — Anna J. Harmon, Feb. 9, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations, and transfer made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Longfellow District. — Josephine Smith, Boston, Grammar School, from Feb. 9, 1903. Special assistants.

Phillips Brooks District. — Genevra M. Pennoyer, Boston, Primary School, from Feb. 10, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Christopher Gibson District. — Gertrude M. Gleason, Abington, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 11, 1903. Temporary teachers.

Lewis District. — Mabel G. Berry, Cambridge, assistant, Kindergarten, from Feb. 24, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Mary E. Kelleher, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 9, 1903.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Normal School. — Nellie I. Simpson, Boston, assistant, from Mar. 17, 1903.

Dorchester High School. — Esther L. Sanborn, Boston, assistant, from Mar. 19, 1903.

Mechanic Arts High School. — Alfred Coester, Boston, junior master, from Mar. 24, 1903; Mary A. Harriman, Framingham, instructor, from Mar. 24, 1903.

Brimmer District. — Frances A. Curtis, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 24, 1903.

Lyman District. — Arthur A. Jordan, Boston, submaster, from Mar. 5, 1903; Mary A. Ryan, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 10, 1903.

Shurtleff District. — Elizabeth A. Lyons, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Mar. 24, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

ON PROBATION.

Gaston District. — Margaret L. Higgins, Boston, ssistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 16, 1903. On probation.

Mather District. — Ada Cushing, Hingham, assistant, Kindergarten, from Feb. 16, 1903.

Minot District. — Katherine R. Haley, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 12, 1903; Lillian A. Richardson, Chelsea, assistant, Primary School, fourth year, from Feb. 25, 1903.

Wells District. — Eleanor B. Jamison, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Feb. 16, 1903; Ellen F. Joyce, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Feb. 16, 1903; Margaret F. Murphy, Boston, assistant, Primary School, third year, from Feb. 16, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmations.

Dudley District. — Katharine L. Connell, assistant, Primary School.

Frothingham District.— Margaret J. O'Hea, first assistant, Grammar School.

Martin District.— Mary A. Nolan, assistant, Primary School.

Prescott District.— Mary E. Keyes, first assistant, Grammar School.

Quincy District.— Joanna J. Kelley, assistant, Grammar School.

Laid over, under the rule.

TRANSFER.

Transfer of a teacher.

Winthrop District.— Mary L. Logan, assistant, Grammar School, on probation, to the position of assistant, Primary School, on probation, in the Dudley District, to date from Mar. 2, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOL.

Instructor, Evening School.

Eliot School.— Assistant, Frederick Fraser, Cambridge, from Jan. 23, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

Adams District.— Ellen M. Robbins, first assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 9, 1903, until Apr. 9, 1903; Anna E. Keaney, Boston, substitute.

Agassiz District.— Josephine Fokes, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 14, 1903, until May 14, 1903.

Bennett District.— Katherine McNamara, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 12, 1903, until June 12, 1903. Charlotte Adams, first assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 20, 1903, until June 20, 1903; Anna M. Meyer, Boston, substitute.

Bowditch District.— Nellie I. Lapham, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 10, 1903, until May 1, 1903; Lillian C. Burbank, Lowell, substitute.

Dearborn District.— Louise D. Gage, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 5, 1903, until Apr. 5, 1903; Mary G. Finnegan, Boston, substitute.

Everett District.— Janet M. Bullard, first assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Annie E. George, Boston, substitute.

Thomas N. Hart District.— Laura J. Gerry, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 1, 1903, until Apr. 1, 1903; Filena Colby, Boston, substitute.

The following appointments, made by the Superintendent, and accompanied by written statements by him of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto, were presented for approval:

REAPPOINTMENTS OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

English High School.— John J. Cadigan, Boston, junior-master, from Mar. 17, 1903. Temporary teachers.

Roxbury High School. — Mary T. Loughlin, Boston, assistant, from Mar. 18, 1903.

Dwight District. — Marion R. Weymouth, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 10, 1903.

Emerson District. — Grace V. Lynch, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 17, 1903.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Ellen M. Greany, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 18, 1903.

Wells District. — Jane M. Gray, Salem, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 5, 1903.

Rules suspended.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointments, and the appointments laid over, under the rule.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRE.

Educational Centre.

The appointments of the candidates named below as teachers in an Educational Centre for the season of 1902–1903, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board.

Bigelow Educational Centre. — Mary E. Farrell, Boston, from Jan. 7, 1903; Josephine M. Curry, Boston, from Feb. 16, 1903; Ellen C. Fay, Boston, from Feb. 17, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Designation of a master to take charge of a school.

The Superintendent reported that he had designated William B. Snow, master, English High School, to take charge of said school during the absence of John F. Casey, head-master, from Feb. 12, 1903, until Feb. 18, 1903, inclusive.

Placed on file.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Minors' licenses.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitting the names of 55 minors to be licensed as newsboys, of four

to be licensed as bootblacks, and of one to be licensed as a pedler of small wares.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

Report of Committee on Accounts; Superintendent and Supervisors to attend meeting of National Educational Association. [See p. 65.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — Feb. 10 — an order to the effect that an expenditure not exceeding four hundred dollars ($400) be allowed for the expenses of the Superintendent and Supervisors to attend an educational meeting to be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, reported that they have considered the matter, and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That an expenditure not exceeding four hundred dollars ($400) be allowed for the expenses of the Superintendent and Supervisors, to attend the meeting of the Department of Superintendence of the National Educational Association, to be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 24–26, 1903.

Accepted, and the order laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on Accounts; expenditure for temporary and substitute janitor service. [See p. 60.]

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Feb. 10 — an order to the effect that the sum of two hundred dollars ($200) be drawn from the city treasury for meeting the cost of temporary and substitute janitor service, reported that they have considered the matter, and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts are hereby authorized to draw the sum of two hundred dollars ($200) from the city treasury to be placed in the hands of the Auditing Clerk for meeting the cost of temporary and substitute janitor service; the same to be accounted for before the close of the fiscal year, and to be charged to the appropriation for salaries of janitors.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Rules and

Mr. Ernst, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — Jan. 21 — a communica-

Regulations; suspension of school sessions Mar. 17, 1903. [See p. 33.]

tion from the Common Council, through His Honor the Mayor, requesting the School Committee to cause the regular sessions of the public schools to be suspended on Tuesday, Mar. 17, 1903, and that exercises commemorative of Evacuation Day be held in the schools in place of the same, reported that they have duly considered this request, and are of the opinion that the action suggested should not be taken, for the reason that there are already a sufficient number of holidays during the school year, and there seems to be no occasion for the creation of any further ones. Your committee therefore recommend that a copy of this report be respectfully transmitted to the Common Council, through His Honor the Mayor, for its information.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, offered the following:

Amendment of Rules; consideration of text, reference and supplementary books.

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows:

SECT. 39, par. 4. Strike out said paragraph, and substitute in place thereof the following:

4. Shall report upon text and reference books in April, and upon supplementary books in November, of each year.

Passed to a second reading.

Report of Committee on School Houses; appointment of a janitor.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, reported for the approval of the Board the following appointment:

JANITOR.

Freeman School-house. — Henry F. Beverstock, to date from Feb. 12, 1903.

Approved.

Report of Committee on School Houses; additional school accommodations.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, presented the following:

The Committee on School Houses beg leave to present the following report on the subject of additional school accommoda-

tions. During the year 1902 a number of the items contained in the list submitted by the Schoolhouse Commissioners to this Board at its meeting of Jan. 2, 1902, have been disposed of, either wholly or in part, and your committee have recently been requested by the Commissioners to recommend which of the remaining items should receive attention during the current year, on the assumption that the full amount allowed by the statute, viz., $1,500,000, will be made available for such purposes. Your committee, recognizing the fact that the matter is one of considerable importance, have given it exceedingly careful consideration; they have consulted with the Superintendent, and have taken into account the manner in which the pupils are housed throughout the entire city, with particular reference to the number and cost of hired accommodations in the various districts, as well as the forced utilization of halls, corridors, basements, etc., for class-room purposes. The result of their deliberations has been the adoption of the following list of sites and buildings, all of which are included in the original forty-two items received Jan. 2, 1902, although in two or three instances in a slightly different form. The items which follow are arranged in the established order of the school divisions, and not with regard to their comparative importance.

20. Normal School. — In the vicinity of the Dudley-street transfer station.

21. Girls' Latin School.

11. Charlestown. New High School. (Present lot has already been enlarged.)

38. East Boston. Lyman District. — Replace present Webb School-house with a new primary building.

13 and 14. South Boston. New district. — Grammar school-house in the vicinity of City Point. This instead of the proposed additions to the Gaston and Lincoln School-houses, as originally recommended.

36. Roxbury. Dearborn District. — New school-house.

23. Roxbury. Hugh O'Brien District. — Primary school-house east of the present George-street School-house.

24. Roxbury. Lewis District. — Primary School-house in the vicinity of Perrin street.

25. Jamaica Plain. Agassiz District. — Four-room addition to the Francis Parkman School-house, thus completing this building according to the original plans. This instead of the proposed grammar school-house south of Forest Hills station, as originally recommended.

34. Roslindale. Longfellow District. — An addition to the present Longfellow School-house, to contain six class-rooms. This instead of a new primary school-house as originally recommended.

30. Allston. Washington Allston District. — Grammar School-house on present Brentwood-street site.

10. Dorchester. New district. — Grammar school-house on Old Gibson School site, School street.

27. Dorchester. Henry L. Pierce District. — Primary School-house in the vicinity of Bailey street.

26. Dorchester. Mather District. — Grammar School-house on Meeting House Hill.

Your committee believe that the foregoing will best relieve the more immediate needs for additional school accommodations to be undertaken during the current year, and therefore recommend the adoption of this report as expressive of the views of the Board upon the subject.

Mr. Mulvey moved that the order be recommitted to the Committee on School Houses.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Paine, the order was laid over to the next meeting.

Mr. Casey, for the Committee on Legislative Matters, presented the following:

Report of Committee on Legislative Matters; bills before Legislature.

The Committee on Legislative Matters, in accordance with the rule requiring them to keep the Board informed as to all bills before the Legislature relating to the public schools, report that there are now pending in the Legislature the following bills, copies of which are hereto annexed:

1. Senate Bill No. 267. — An Act to secure uniform school books in the Boston public schools.

2. House Bill No. 980. — An Act to authorize the State Board of Education to furnish additional facilities for instruction in natural history, geography, and kindred subjects in the public schools.

3. House Bill No. 982. — An Act to regulate the number of pupils assigned to teachers in the public schools of cities.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Truant Officers;

Mr. Mulvey, for the Committee on Truant Officers, who were ordered — Feb. 10 — to consider the advisability of transferring the office of the truant officers

from the present quarters to a vacant room in the Brimmer School building, reported that in their opinion this change should be made, and they therefore recommend the passage of the following order:

transfer of truant officers' quarters. [See p. 64.]

Ordered, That notice be given the owner of premises numbered 276 Tremont street that the School Committee will quit and deliver up the room in said building now occupied for an office by the truant officers on or before Mar. 31 next ensuing.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Salaries: janitor of Winthrop School-house.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries to whom was referred, from the files of a previous year, an order relating to the compensation of the janitor of the Winthrop School-house, reported that this is but one of a considerable number of applications before them for increases in the salaries of janitors, many of which are equally meritorious. Your committee are of the opinion that it would be unfair to single out this particular case for special action, and therefore recommend that no further action by the Board is expedient with regard to it at the present time.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Caroline D. Aborn.

Ordered, That there be paid to Caroline D. Aborn, assistant in the Normal School, the sum of one hundred twenty dollars ($120) for extra services rendered by her as teacher of songs and games and of mother play in said school during the months of September, October and November, 1902.

Laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on Salaries; compensation of Director of Lowell Educa-

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred from the files of last year — an order that the compensation of the director of the Lowell Educational Centre and of his assistants be fixed at the rates now

tional Centre and assistants.

in effect for principals and assistants of Evening Elementary Schools, reported that they have favorably considered this matter, and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the salary of the principal of the Lowell Educational Centre and of his assistants be fixed at the rates now paid principals and assistants of the Evening Elementary Schools, viz., five dollars ($5) per evening for the principal, and two dollars ($2) per evening for the assistants, to date from Jan. 1, 1903.

Accepted, and the order laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Frank M. Murphy.

Ordered, That there be paid to Frank M. Murphy the sum of fifty-eight dollars ($58) for services as acting janitor of the Minot School-house during the month of February, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, it was

Salaries of truant officers.

Ordered, That the Committee on Salaries be requested to consider and report what modifications, if any, should be made in the present scale of salaries of the truant officers.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, it was

Advisability of dispensing with drawing and writing books.

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors consider and report to this Board whether, in their opinion, in view of the present condition of school finances, the use of drawing books might not be dispensed with and plain paper for drawing be used in the schools, either temporarily or permanently, without detriment to the true educational interests of the pupils; also whether writing paper might not be used satisfactorily as a substitute for, or in connection with, writing books, without detriment to the true educational interests of the pupils.

Mr. McDonald moved that the order be referred to the Committee on Drawing.

Lost.

The order passed.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings are hereby authorized to obtain from the pupils, in other that the regular day schools, such information as the committee may deem expedient for the purpose of assisting them in the conduct of the special work now being carried on under their charge, provided, it is made clear that no pupil shall be obliged to furnish his or her name, or to give any information of any sort, if he or she has any objection whatever to so doing; and provided, that any list of questions intended for use in the Evening Schools be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools for its approval.

Statistics for Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Legislative Matters are hereby instructed to oppose, before the proper committee of the Legislature, on behalf of this Board, House Bill No. 982, being an act to regulate the number of pupils assigned to teachers in the public schools of cities, unless the Legislature shall simultaneously provide adequate means to meet the expense that will necessarily result if said bill shall be enacted.

Committee on Legislative Matters to appear before committee of Legislature regarding House Bill No. 982.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Legislative Matters are hereby instructed to oppose, before the proper committee of the Legislature, on behalf of this Board, Senate Bill No. 267, being an act to secure uniform school books in the Boston public schools.

Committee on Legislative Matters to appear before committee of Legislature regarding Senate Bill No. 267.

Mr. Harkins offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committees on Rules and Regulations, High Schools, and Hygiene and Physical Training, sitting jointly, together with such members

Rules for conduct of school athletics.

of the Board and Head Masters of High Schools as may desire to join, be requested to consider and report upon the advisability of formulating rules for the conduct of school athletics.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, laid on the table.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Harkins, the order was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the Committee on High Schools was substituted for the Joint Committee specified in the foregoing order, and the order was referred to the Committee on High Schools.

Mr. Keough offered the following:

Payment to Mrs. I. M. Carliell.

Ordered, That there be paid to Mrs. I. M. Carliell the sum of forty-one and $\frac{18}{100}$ dollars ($41.18) for services as substitute in the Emerson District during the month of February, 1903.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. McDonald, for the Committee on Hygiene and Physical Training, offered the following:

Bartlett-street School-house baths open to public.

Ordered, That the baths in the Bartlett-street Schoolhouse, Warren District, be open to the public from 4 to 9 o'clock P.M. on week days, and from 7 A.M. to 4 P.M. on Sundays.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. McDonald, for the same committee, offered the following:

Alterations and improvements in Paul Revere Schoolhouse baths.

Ordered, That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to make certain alterations and improvements in the baths in the Paul Revere Schoolhouse in order to permit a more extended use thereof.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Report of Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings; classes in clay modeling and drawing,

Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, who were requested, last year, to consider and report upon the advisability of establishing classes in clay modeling and drawing in the Hancock and Lowell Educational Centres, reported that they

have duly considered this matter, and are of the opinion that it is inexpedient to establish such classes.

Hancock and Lowell Educational Centres.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the term of service of the matron of the Bigelow Educational Centre, whose employment was authorized by the Board at its meeting on Jan. 27, date from Jan. 7, 1903.

Date of term of service of matron Bigelow Educational Centre.

On motion of Mr. Storrow the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

In School Committee, March 10, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the president in the chair.

Present: All the members except Mr. Vogel.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Approval of appointments, confirmations, and transfer.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments, confirmations, and transfer of instructors, as presented at the last meeting.

The appointments, confirmations, and transfer were approved.

Amendments to Rules and Regulations; three-years' course in Normal School. [See pp. 53, 67–69.]

The order printed on pages 46–49 of the Minutes, adopting certain amendments to the Rules and Regulations in connection with a three-years' course in the Normal School, together with amendments and orders relating thereto, presented by Mrs. Duff, and by the Committee on Rules and Regulations (see Minutes, pages 67–69), laid over at the last meeting, was read.

On motion of Mrs Duff, the aforesaid orders and pending amendments were laid on the table.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Paine, they were taken from the table.

Mrs. Duff moved the adoption of the amendments presented by her (see Minutes, pages 67–69).

Mr. Brett moved that a part of the amendment offered by Mrs. Duff to Sect. 281, viz.: "Commencing September, 1903, men graduates of colleges may be admitted under the same requirements as those now provided for women graduates of colleges," be referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Paine, the previous question was ordered.

Mr. Brett's motion to refer, passed.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the whole matter, with the exception of that portion of it referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations, was referred to the Board of Supervisors, with the request that they give it the most careful and fullest consideration, and report thereon to this Board at a later session.

The following report, laid over at the last meeting, was read:

Report of Committee on School Houses; additional school accommodations. [See pp. 76–78.]

The Committee on School Houses beg leave to present the following report on the subject of additional school accommodations. During the year 1902 a number of the items contained in the list submitted by the Schoolhouse Commissioners to this Board at its meeting of Jan. 2, 1902, have been disposed of, either wholly or in part, and your committee have recently been requested by the Commissioners to recommend which of the remaining items should receive attention during the current year, on the assumption that the full amount allowed by the statute, viz., $1,500,000, will be made available for such purposes. Your committee, recognizing the fact that the matter is one of considerable importance, have given it exceedingly careful consideration; they have consulted with the Superintendent, and have taken into account the manner in which the pupils are housed throughout the entire city, with particular reference to the number and cost of hired accommodations in the various districts, as well as the forced utilization of halls, corridors, basements, etc., for classroom purposes. The result of their deliberations has been the adoption of the following list of sites and buildings, all of which are included in the original forty-two items received Jan. 2, 1902, although in two or three instances in a slightly different form. The items which follow are arranged in the established order of the school divisions, and not with regard to their comparative importance.

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Your committee believe that the foregoing will best relieve the more immediate needs for additional school accommodations to be undertaken during the current year, and therefore recommend the adoption of this report as expressive of the views of the Board upon the subject.

On motion of Mr. Brock, for the Committee on School Houses, Item 20 was amended by adding the following words at the end of said item:

This recommendation, so far as location is concerned, is merely suggestive, and is not intended as a direction to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners: and

Item 27 was amended by striking out the words "in the vicinity of Bailey street," and substituting in place thereof the words: in the vicinity of the Henry L. Pierce School.

On motion of the same member, Items 13 and 14, and 34, were laid on the table.

The question came on the adoption of the report as amended.

Mr. Mulvey moved that Item 25 be amended by striking out all after the word "plans," in the third line, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered.

Mr. Mulvey's motion to amend was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ernst, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, Mulvey, and Paine — 11.

Nays: Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Keough, Merritt, Pierce, and Storrow — 11.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gallivan and Vogel.

On motion of Mr. Paine, Item 25 was laid on the table.

The question came on the adoption of the report as amended, and with the exceptions of Items 13 and 14, 34, and 25, which had been laid on the table.

The report was adopted.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed;

Superintendent and Supervisors to attend meeting of National Educational Association. [See pp. 65, 68. 75.]

Ordered, That an expenditure not exceeding four hundred dollars ($400) be allowed for the expenses of the Superintendent and Supervisors, to attend the meeting of the Department of Superintendence of the National Educational Association, to be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 24–26, 1903.

Payment to Caroline D. Aborn. [See p. 79.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Caroline D. Aborn, assistant in the Normal School, the sum of one hundred twenty dollars ($120) for extra services rendered by her as teacher of songs and games and of mother-play in said school during the months of September, October, and November, 1902.

Compensation of Director of Lowell Educational Centre and assistants. [See pp. 79, 80.]

Ordered, That the salary of the principal of the Lowell Educational Centre and of his assistants be fixed at the rates now paid principals and assistants of the Evening Elementary Schools, viz., five dollars ($5) per evening for the principal, and two dollars

($2) per evening for the assistants, to date from Jan. 1, 1903.

Ordered, That there be paid to Frank M. Murphy the sum of fifty-eight dollars ($58) for services as acting janitor of the Minot School-house during the month of February, 1903.

Payment to Frank M. Murphy. [See p. 80.]

The following communication was read:

CITY OF BOSTON,

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, March 2, 1903.

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to grant a half-holiday to the pupils in the South Boston schools on Evacuation Day, March 17, to allow them to attend the celebration commemorating the evacuation of Boston by the British troops.

Communication from Mayor; communication from City Council; half-holiday, Mar. 17, 1903, to pupils of South Boston schools.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 5 came up concurred.

A true copy.

Attest: JOHN T. PRIEST,
Assistant City Clerk.

CITY OF BOSTON,

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, Mar. 9, 1903.

Referred to the School Committee for such action as they may consider reasonable.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, laid on the table.

The Superintendent presented the following:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Comins District. — Alice A. Sanborn, assistant, Grammar School, Mar. 1, 1903.

Wells District. — Caroline C. Voorhees, principal, Kindergarten, Mar. 1, 1903.

Permanent Substitute. — Katherine R. Haley, Feb. 12, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments, and confirmations made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in

accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Special assistant.

Christopher Gibson District.— Jennie I. Paul, Boston, Primary School, from Mar. 9, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Dillaway District.— Anna J. Harmon, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 9, 1903.

Eliot District. — Helen M. Cleveland, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 26, 1903.

Lewis District. — Bertha F. Drake, Reading, assistant, Kindergarten, from Feb. 2, 1903; Mary E. Kennedy, Braintree, assistant, Kindergarten, from Mar. 2, 1903.

Mather District. — Lucy D. Macarthy, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 11, 1903, to Feb. 27, 1903, inclusive.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Christopher Gibson District. — Katharine T. Lyons, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Mar. 2, 1903.

Edward Everett District. — Josephine M. Barrett, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 2, 1903.

Mather District. — Lucy D. Macarthy, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 2, 1903.

Wells District. — Lillian Hooper, Boston, principal, Kindergarten, from Mar. 2, 1903.

Winthrop District. — Helen Wilson, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Mar. 30, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Charles Sumner District. — Katharine Macdonald, principal, Kindergarten. Confirmations.

Dillaway District. — Frances L. Peck, assistant, Kindergarten.

Dudley District. — Margaret E. Hill, assistant, Grammar School.

Dwight District. — Mary J. H. Taylor, assistant, Grammar School.

Emerson District. — Minnie Goldsmith, assistant, Primary School.

Gilbert Stuart District. — Ellen W. Porter, assistant, Kindergarten.

Henry L. Pierce District. — Blanche E. Thayer, principal, Kindergarten.

Hyde District. — Emma S. Gulliver, first assistant, Grammar School; Sally Viles, assistant, Grammar School.

Martin District. — Willena E. Browne, assistant, Kindergarten.

Wells District. — Agnes L. Berry, assistant, Primary School.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

Girls' High School. — Elizabeth E. Hough, assistant, from Apr. 5, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Isabella H. Howe, Boston, substitute.

Bennett District. — Mabel L. Chapman, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 6, 1903, until June 6, 1903; Josephine M. Curry, Boston, substitute. M. Louise Costello, Boston, substitute for Katherine

McNamara, assistant Grammar School, granted leave of absence.

Bigelow District. — Margarette H. Price, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 3, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Katharine C. McDonnell, Boston, substitute.

Comins District. — Mary Bradford, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 5, 1903, until Apr. 1, 1903; Mary A. G. Jones, Boston, substitute.

Dearborn District. — Annie S. Irvin, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 2, 1903, until June 2, 1903; Elizabeth C. Coburn, Lowell, substitute.

Dudley District. — Ellen M. Fiske, principal, Kindergarten, from Feb. 12, 1903, until June 12, 1903; Winifred Ryder, Boston, substitute.

Henry L. Pierce District. — Helen F. Burgess, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 13, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Stella M. Coates, Boston, substitute.

Mather District. — Grace R. Clark, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 11, 1903, until Apr. 3, 1903.

Wells District. — Etta L. Jones, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 2, 1903, until June 2, 1903; Caroline G. Tunis, Cambridge, substitute.

Leave of absence to Sarah E. Lovell. Rules suspended.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher, for the term specified, on half pay, and her resignation was accepted to take effect Apr. 13, 1904:

Comins District. — Sarah E. Lovell, first assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 13, 1903, until Apr. 13, 1904.

Leave of absence to Charles F. Kimball. Rules suspended.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher, for the term specified, on half pay, and his resignation was accepted to take effect Mar. 1, 1904:

Rice Training School. — Charles F. Kimball, submaster, from Mar. 1, 1903, until Mar. 1, 1904.

The Superintendent presented the following request for leave of absence:

Leave of absence to Gertrude Newman.

Mather District.— Gertrude Newman, assistant, Grammar School, from June 15, 1903, until Nov. 1, 1903.

Referred to the Committee on the Ninth Division.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRE.

The appointments of the candidates named below as teachers in an Educational Centre for the season of 1902–1903, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board.

Educational Centre.

Bigelow Educational Centre. — Mabel W. Chandler, from Jan. 12, 1903. Annie F. Marlowe, from Jan. 26, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

The Superintendent reported that he had designated Ida L. Boyden, first assistant, Christopher Gibson District, to take charge of said district during the frequent absences of William E. Endicott, master, since Jan. 28, 1903.

Designation of a first assistant to take charge of a school.

Placed on file.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 70 minors to be licensed as newsboys, of 2 to be licensed as bootblacks, and of 4 to be licensed as pedlers of small wares.

Minors' licenses.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of one minor to sell newspapers, for having violated the conditions on which said license was granted him.

Revocation of a minor's license.

Approved.

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, presented the following:

Appropriations for maintenance of public schools, 1903–1904.

SCHOOLS.

Appropriation, 1903–1904.

School Committee,
Office of Accounts, March 10, 1903.

To the School Committee:

In accordance with Section 36, Chapter 2 of the Rules of the School Board, and under Section 1, Chapter 448 of the Acts of 1901, the Committee on Accounts present herewith, in detail, an estimate of the amount which in their opinion should be appropriated for the support of the public schools for the financial year 1903–1904.

The Board of Assessors have certified that the average taxable valuation of the City, which forms the basis for computing the sum allowed the School Committee for the present year, amounts to $1,148,529,060.88. Three and forty one-hundredths on each thousand dollars of this valuation (the rate fixed by Chapter 448 of the Acts of 1901) amounts to $3,904,998.80, and to this sum should be added the unexpended balance for the financial year 1902–1903 of $39,895.25, an excess of income over that estimated for 1902–1903 of $6,732.04, and a probable income of $42,000 for the present year, making a total amount of $3,993,626.09. This is the total legal limit which the School Committee can appropriate for all purposes during the present year.

Of this amount not less than $287,132.26 (at the rate of twenty-five cents on each thousand dollars of the valuation) shall be appropriated solely for repairs and alterations of school buildings; and $459,411.62 (at the rate of forty cents on each thousand dollars of the valuation) solely for the purchase of lands and additions to school yards and the erection and furnishing of new school buildings.

The appropriation as recommended is based upon the following statement:

Money available, exclusive of forty cents per thousand dollars for new buildings, etc.

$3.00 per thousand, on $1,148,529,060.88 equals .	$3,445,587 18
Balance unexpended 1902–03	39,895 25
Surplus income 1902–03	6,732 04
Income estimated 1903–04	42,000 00
Total	$3,534,214 47

The committee desire to state that, in preparing the Appropriation Bill for the financial year 1903–04, they found themselves confronted with a serious problem.

The amount of coal required to supply the schools for the financial years 1902–03 and 1903–04 is about 40,000 tons, which in former years cost about $5 per ton.

The actual cost will average probably $7.50 per ton, which will call for an increase in expenses of $100,000.

This increase the School Committee are unable to meet.

To continue the schools upon the present basis of expenditure will require about $110,000 in addition to the amount that can legally be appropriated under the present law.

After a thorough examination of the situation, and consultation with those in authority as to wherein expenses could be reduced with the least detriment to the school system, the committee have decided that the following recommendations should be carried into effect during the present year, provided the Legislature does not take favorable action upon the bill granting an additional appropriation, now under consideration:

First. — That the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books be requested to recommend that few changes, if any, be made in the present authorized list of books, maps, etc.

Second. — That the general expenses of the evening schools be reduced by the sum of $4,000, and that the appropriation for lectures to be given under the direction of the Committee on Evening Schools be reduced from $3,000 to $1,500.

Third. — That the Committee on Supplies curtail the cost for supplementary reading as much as possible, and furnish paper or blank books for drawing books and writing books.

Fourth. — That the Committee on Truant Officers recommend such changes as may be necessary to reduce the expenses for truant officers $4,500, either by reduction of salary or a less number of officers.

Fifth. — That the Committee on School Houses recommend that janitors in charge of portable buildings be paid $120 per annum for the first, and $72 per annum for each additional, portable building.

Sixth. — That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings be granted an appropriation of $7,000 for Educational Centres, instead of $17,000 asked for.

Seventh. — That no Vacation Schools be opened during the summer vacation.

Eighth. — That the Annual School Festival be dispensed with.

Ninth. — That all teachers needed after April 1 be appointed by the Superintendent as temporary teachers for the balance of the school year.

Tenth.— That the services of directors of, and special instructors or assistants in, Drawing, Military Drill, Music, and Physical Training, the Armorer, the special teachers of vocal and physical training and reading in High Schools, and the teachers of sewing in the Grammar Schools, be discontinued on and after September 1, 1903.

In making the foregoing recommendations, the committee are not to be understood as personally believing in the wisdom of any such wholesale reductions. They merely have made a choice of evils; curtailment being necessary, they have cut off what, after consulting with the Superintendent, they find the school system can spare with the least educational loss. The only alternative would seem to be a large reduction in the salaries of teachers, which the committee think should be avoided except as a last resort.

There are three things that can be done :

(1.) Reduce salaries of teachers ;

(2.) Cut off the various departments, as suggested in this report;

(3.) Obtain from the Legislature a larger share of the tax rate.

Relief from our present financial condition can be obtained only from the Legislature. An opportunity is now afforded for an expression of public opinion. Does the City of Boston want Music, Drawing, Sewing, Military Drill, Physical Training, Vacation Schools, Evening Lectures, Educational Centres, and other departments, practically on the scale heretofore adopted? If so, is it willing to pay for them, and will it make that fact known to the Legislature? Unless it does this committee and the School Board are powerless to prevent a serious crippling of the school service.

The items in the Appropriation Bill are made to correspond with the above recommendations.

In accordance with these statements, this committee recommend the passage of the following order.

For the Committee on Accounts,

PHINEAS PIERCE,
Chairman.

Ordered, That to meet the current expenses payable during the financial year beginning February 1, 1903, and ending January 31, 1904, the items as contained herein be appropriated for the purposes stated.

SALARIES OF INSTRUCTORS.

Normal School.

1	Head-master	$3,780	$3,780	
1	Master	2,484	2,484	
6	Assistants	1,620	9,720	
2	"	1,560	3,120	
1	Assistant	1,500	1,500	
1	"	1,320	1,320	
1	"	1,200	1,200	
1	Clerical Assistant	600	600	
				$23,724

Latin and High Schools.

First Grade.

1	Head-master	$4,200	$4,200	
9	Head-masters	3,780	34,020	
36	Masters	3,060	110,160	
4	Junior-masters	2,916	11,664	
2	" "	2,772	5,544	
1	Junior-master	2,628	2,628	
3	Junior-masters	2,484	7,452	
6	" "	2,340	14,040	
7	" "	2,196	15,372	
2	" "	2,052	4,104	
3	" "	1,908	5,724	
3	" "	1,764	5,292	
2	" "	1,620	3,240	
				223,440

Third Grade.

1	Assistant Principal	$2,040	$2,040	
1	" "	1,836	1,836	
37	Assistants	1,620	59,940	
8	"	1,548	12,384	
16	"	1,476	23,616	
11	"	1,404	15,444	
2	"	1,332	2,664	
2	"	1,260	2,520	
3	"	1,188	3,564	
12	"	1,116	13,392	
12	"	1,044	12,528	
4	"	972	3,888	
1	Assistant on half pay	810	810	
				154,626
	Carried forward			$401,790

	Brought forward			$401,790

Mechanic Arts High School.

1	Head-master	$3,780	$3,780	
3	Masters	3,060	9,180	
1	Junior-master . . .	2,772	2,772	
2	Junior-masters . . .	2,196	4,392	
2	" " . . .	1,908	3,816	
1	Junior-master . . .	1,620	1,620	
1	" " . . .	1,476	1,476	
1	Instructor in metal working .	2,520	2,520	
4	Instructors	2,340	9,360	
1	Instructor	1,500	1,500	
1	Assistant Instructor . .	1,620	1,620	
1	" " . .	1,332	1,332	
1	" " . .	1,116	1,116	
1	Special Instructor . . .	672	672	
6	Special Assistants . . .		2,750	
1	Laboratory Assistant . .		500	
	Additional compensation for extra work of instructors named above . . .		3,100	
				51,506

Grammar and Primary Schools.

Second Grade.

51	Masters	$3,180	$162,180	
1	Master	3,060	3,060	
1	"	2,940	2,940	
2	Masters	2,820	5,640	
3	"	2,700	8,100	
3	Sub-masters	2,460	7,380	
40	" "	2,340	93,600	
4	" "	2,220	8,880	
5	" "	2,100	10,500	
5	" "	1,980	9,900	
2	" "	1,860	3,720	
4	" "	1,740	6,960	
5	" "	1,620	8,100	
1	Sub-master	1,500	1,500	
				332,460

Fourth Grade.

76	First Assistants, Grammar .	$1,212	$92,112	
2	" " " .	1,164	2,328	
	Carried forward		$94,440	$785,756

	Brought forward		$94,440	$785,756
5	First Assistants, Grammar .	$1,116	5,580	
7	" " " .	1,068	7,476	
10	" " " .	1,020	10,200	
4	" " " .	972	3,888	
386	Assistants, Grammar . .	936	361,296	
66	" " . .	888	58,608	
51	" " . .	840	42,840	
34	" " . .	792	26,928	
59	" " . .	744	43,896	
52	" " . .	696	36,192	
41	" " . .	648	26,568	
21	" " . .	600	12,600	
8	" " . .	552	4,416	
16	Assistants, Grammar, on half pay		7,488	
72	First Assistants, Primary .	1,080	77,760	
2	" " " . .	1,032	2,064	
2	" " " . .	984	1,968	
301	Assistants, Primary . .	936	281,736	
62	" "	888	55,056	
33	" "	840	27,720	
25	" "	792	19,800	
34	" "	744	25,296	
49	" "	696	34,104	
40	" "	648	25,920	
30	" "	600	18,000	
12	" "	552	6,624	
5	" " on half pay,		2,340	
56	Temporary Teachers, 100 days	$11,200		
40	Special Assistants, 100 days .	6,000		
20	Permanent Substitutes . .	2,000		
		$19,200		
	Less amount city will receive from absent teachers .	7,500		
			11,700	
				1,332,504
	Kindergartens.			
	Director		$2,880	
55	Principals	$792	43,560	
10	"	744	7,440	
11	"	696	7,656	
7	"	648	4,536	
	Carried forward		$66,072	$2,118,260

	Brought forward		$66,072	$2,118,260
1	Principal	$624	624	
20	Assistants	624	12,480	
26	"	576	14,976	
16	"	528	8,448	
15	"	480	7,200	
5	"	432	2,160	
	Special Assistant Service .		200	
				112,160

Manual Training Schools.

Carpentry:	Principal . . .		$2,508	
	5 Instructors . .	$1,200	6,000	
	18 Assistant Instructors,	996	17,928	
	3 " " .	948	2,844	
	4 " " .	900	3,600	
	3 " " .	852	2,556	
	1 Assistant Instructor	804	804	
Cookery:	Principal . . .		1,500	
	6 Assistants . .	936	5,616	
	5 " . . .	888	4,440	
	2 " . . .	840	1,680	
	3 " . . .	792	2 376	
	1 Assistant . . .	744	744	
	2 Assistants . . .	648	1,296	
	3 " . . .	600	1,800	
	1 Assistant . . .	552	552	
Sewing:	42 Instructors, 449 Divisions, 8 months .		24,189	
				80,433

Horace Mann School for the Deaf.

	Principal		$3,180	
1	Assistant	$1,440	1,440	
9	Assistants	1,284	11,556	
1	Assistant	1,212	1,212	
2	Assistants	1,140	2,280	
2	"	780	1,560	
				21,228

School on Spectacle Island.

	Instructor		$400	
				400

Foreign Languages.

2	Assistants in French and German	$1,800	$3,600	
	Carried forward		$3,600	$2,332,481

Brought forward		$3,600	$2,332,481
1 Instructor in German, Girls' Latin School		1,800	
1 Instructor in French, South Boston High School		972	
			6,372

Music.

Director, 8 months . .		$2,000	
1 Assistant Director, 8 months .	$2,652	1,768	
3 " Directors, " .	2,076	4,152	
4 Assistants, " .	1,044	2,784	
			10,704

Drawing.

Director, 8 months . .		$2,400	
Assistant Director, 8 months		1,672	
3 Assistants to Director, " .	$1,500	3,000	
2 Special Teachers, Dorchester High School . . .	1,200	2,400	
1 Special Teacher, English High School .		2,500	
1 Special Teacher, Roxbury High School,		1,200	
1 Special Teacher, South Boston High School		1,200	
1 Special Teacher, West Roxbury High School		1,200	
			15,572

Chemistry.

1 Instructor Girls' High School . .		$1,620	
1 Laboratory Assistant, Girls' High School		936	
1 Laboratory Assistant, English High School		500	
1 Laboratory Assistant, Roxbury High School		936	
			3,992

Physical Training.

Director, 8 months		$2,000	
Assistant to Director, 8 months . . .		1,520	
" " " " . . .		1,200	
			4,720

Vocal and Physical Training and Reading.

Instructor, Girls' Latin School, 8 months .		$624	
" Brighton High School, 8 months,		624	
Carried forward		$1,248	$2,373,841

Brought forward	$1,248	$2,373,841
Instructor, Dorchester High School, 8 months,	800	
" East Boston High School, 8 months,	800	
" Girls' High School, 8 months .	800	
" Roxbury High School, 8 months,	800	
" South Boston High School, 8 months	800	
" West Roxbury High School, 8 months	800	
Assistant to Instructor, Roxbury High School, 8 months	600	
	——	6,648

Military Drill.

Instructor, 8 months	$1,334	
Armorer, 8 months	700	
	——	2,034

Commercial Branches.

2 Instructors, Brighton High School .	$2,400	
1 Instructor, Charlestown High School .	1,200	
1 Special Instructor, Charlestown High School	1,560	
2 Special Instructors, Dorchester High School	3,180	
1 Instructor, Dorchester High School .	972	
1 " East Boston " " .	1,200	
1 Special Instructor, East Boston High School	1,500	
1 Special Instructor, English High School	1,320	
3 Instructors, Girls' High School . .	3,372	
1 Instructor, Roxbury High School .	1,200	
2 Instructors, South Boston High School,	2,400	
1 Special Instructor, West Roxbury High School	1,560	
1 Instructor, West Roxbury High School	972	
	——	22,836

Special Classes.

6 Instructors	$984	$5,904	
1 Instructor		936	
		——	6,840
Educational Centres			7,000
Carried forward			$2,419,199

Brought forward		$2,419,199
Evening High School.		
Head-master, 22 weeks	$1,100	
2 Assistants in charge, 66 evenings .	660	
44 Assistants, 22 weeks	19,360	
Clerk	440	
		21,560
Evening Elementary Schools.		
11 Principals, 22 weeks	$6,050	
3 " "	1,320	
12 First Assistants, 22 weeks . . .	3,300	
3 Assistants, Post Graduate Course, 22 weeks	825	
158 Assistants, 22 weeks	34,760	
		46,255
Evening Drawing Schools.		
2 Masters, 69 evenings	$1,380	
4 Principals, 69 "	2,208	
20 Assistants, 66 "	7,920	
5 " 66 "	1,650	
6 Curators	828	
		13,986
Total for Instructors		$2,501,000
Salaries of Officers.		
Superintendent	$6,000	
Six Supervisors at $3,780	22,680	
Clerks to Superintendent (4) . . .	4,100	
Secretary	3,300	
Clerks to Secretary (3)	2,580	
Auditing Clerk	3,300	
Clerks to Auditing Clerk, (2) . . .	2,328	
Assistant in offices Secretary and Auditing Clerk	600	
Messengers in Office (6)	3,373	
Twenty-one (21) Truant Officers . .	25,400	
City Treasurer, Custodian	1,500	
School-house Custodian	2,004	
Clerk to School-house Custodian . .	416	
Total for Officers		$77,581

SALARIES OF JANITORS.

High Schools.

Latin and English High:	
Janitor, Latin	$1,920 00
Janitor, English High	4,200 00
Girls' Latin	960 00
Brighton High	1,620 00
Charlestown High	1,044 00
Dorchester High:	
Janitor	3,492 00
Matron	540 00
East Boston High:	
Janitor	2,472 00
Janitor	744 00
Matron	540 00
Girls' High: Janitor	$2,220 00
Janitor	960 00
Mechanic Arts High:	
Janitor	1,992 00
Engineer	1,080 00
Roxbury High	2,304 00
South Boston High:	
Janitor	3,492 00
Matron	540 00
West Roxbury High:	
Janitor	2,976 00
Matron	540 00
Total for High Schools,	$33,636 00

Grammar Schools.

Bigelow	$2,004 00
Chapman:	
Janitor	1,200 00
Engineer	756 00
Roger Wolcott	1,680 00
Bowdoin	1,440 00
Hugh O'Brien	1,404 00
Christopher Gibson	1,380 00
Henry L. Pierce	1,380 00
Mary Hemenway	1,380 00
Phillips Brooks	1,380 00
Gilbert Stuart	1,320 00
John A. Andrew	1,320 00
Rice	1,320 00
Sherwin	1,320 00
Bennett and branch	1,296 00
Martin	1,284 00
Bowditch	1,260 00
Agassiz	1,200 00
Emerson	1,200 00
Lyman	1,200 00
Prince	1,200 00
Hyde	1,176 00
Thomas N. Hart	1,164 00
Dearborn	1,140 00
Gaston	$1,140 00
Lawrence	1,140 00
Lewis	1,140 00
Shurtleff	1,140 00
Dudley	1,116 00
Lowell	1,104 00
Adams	1,080 00
Dwight	1,080 00
Frothingham	1,080 00
Harvard	1,080 00
Longfellow	1,080 00
Roger Clap	1,080 00
Comins	1,020 00
Lincoln	1,020 00
Warren	1,020 00
Dillaway	996 00
Hancock	984 00
Everett	960 00
Franklin	960 00
Phillips	936 00
Brimmer	900 00
Edward Everett	900 00
Quincy	900 00
Norcross	888 00
Bunker Hill	876 00

Eliot	$876 00
Ware (branch of Eliot),	360 00
Winthrop . . .	876 00
George Putnam . .	864 00
Prescott . . .	840 00
Robert G. Shaw . .	816 00
Wells	816 00
Washington Allston .	792 00
William Wirt Warren (branch of Washington Allston) . .	636 00
Allston Club House (branch of Washington Allston) . .	$336 00
Charles Sumner .	780 00
Mather . . .	708 00
Minot	696 00
Forty-nine outside buildings, $300 or less per annum .	6,412 00
Total for Grammar Schools . . .	$72,832 00

Primary Schools.

Paul Revere: Janitor .	$2,244 00
Matron . . .	540 00
Mayhew . . .	1,200 00
Winship . . .	1,200 00
Cudworth . . .	1,080 00
Cushman . . .	936 00
Winchell . . .	888 00
Plummer . . .	864 00
Bartlett-street (Chsn.):	
Janitor . . .	840 00
Matron . . .	540 00
Benjamin Cushing .	840 00
Blackinton . . .	840 00
Charles C. Perkins .	840 00
Cyrus Alger . .	840 00
Frederic A. Whitney .	840 00
Samuel G. Howe .	840 00
William Bacon . .	840 00
Ticknor . . .	804 00
Appleton-street . .	780 00
Benjamin Dean . .	780 00
W. L. P. Boardman .	780 00
Old Dorchester High .	780 00
Aaron Davis . .	768 00
Choate Burnham .	756 00
Phillips-street (Rox.),	756 00
Albert Palmer . .	720 00
Andrews . . .	720 00
Harris . . .	720 00
Joshua Bates . .	720 00
Lucretia Crocker .	720 00
Parkman . . .	$720 00
Roxbury-street . .	720 00
Stephen M. Weld .	720 00
Tileston . . .	720 00
Quincy-street (Rox.) .	708 00
Thetford-street . .	672 00
Howard-avenue . .	660 00
Ira Allen . . .	660 00
Noble	660 00
Tappan . . .	660 00
West Concord-street .	660 00
Kenilworth-street .	648 00
Weston-street . .	624 00
Atherton . . .	600 00
Baker-street . .	600 00
Benjamin Pope . .	600 00
Clinch . . .	600 00
Harvard Hill . .	600 00
Hawes Hall and Simonds . . .	600 00
Margaret Fuller . .	600 00
Morton-street . .	600 00
Wait	600 00
Wyman	600 00
William H. Kent .	576 00
Lyceum Hall . .	564 00
School-street (Dor.) .	552 00
Sharp	552 00
Abby W. May . .	540 00
Drake	540 00
Polk-street . . .	540 00

Webb	$504 00	Somerset-street . .	$384 00
Aberdeen . . .	480 00	Baldwin . . .	372 00
B. F. Tweed . .	480 00	Old Mather (Dor.) .	372 00
Capen	480 00	Bartlett-street (Rox.),	360 00
Emerson, Poplar-street	480 00	Hillside . . .	360 00
Florence-street . .	480 00	Pormort . . .	360 00
Francis Parkman .	480 00	Cook	348 00
Old Agassiz . .	480 00	Mt. Vernon . .	348 00
Phineas Bates . .	480 00	Williams . . .	336 00
Rutland-street . .	480 00	Tuckerman . .	324 00
Stoughton . . .	480 00	Tyler-street . .	312 00
Walnut-street . .	480 00	Amount required to pay janitors for ninety-three school buildings where the salary paid is $300 or less per annum,	14,068 00
Dorchester-avenue .	444 00		
Bunker Hill-street .	432 00		
Common-street . .	420 00		
Sumner-street (Dor.) .	420 00		
Bailey-street . .	408 00		
George-street . .	408 00		
Mead-street . .	384 00	Total for Primary Schools . .	$71,740 00
North Harvard-street,	384 00		

Special and Evening Schools.

Horace Mann School :		
1 Janitor	$780 00	
1 "	420 00	
1 "	300 00	
		$1,500 00
Vacation Schools and Educational Centres . .		300 00
Manual Training Schools :		
5 Janitors at less than $300 per annum . .		936 00
Kindergartens :		
6 Janitors at $300 or less		1,120 00
Evening Schools :		
Evening Elementary and Branch High Schools, 20 Janitors at less than $300		2,600 00
Evening Drawing Schools :		
5 Janitors at less than $300		600 00
Total for Special and Evening Schools . .		$7,056 00
School Committee Rooms :		
1 Janitor	$1,548 00	
1 "	840 00	
1 "	300 00	
1 Doorkeeper	480 00	
Total for School Committee Rooms, . .		$3,168 00

RECAPITULATION.

High Schools	$33,636 00
Grammar Schools	72,832 00
Primary Schools	71,740 00
Special and Evening Schools	7,056 00
School Committee Rooms	3,168 00
Estimate for additional buildings to be acquired and temporary accommodations that may be needed during the year	3,968 00
Cleaning Company, for washing floors in August, or in case the janitors are required to do this work, the probable amount needed to increase salaries to correspond	2,600 00
Total for Janitors	$195,000 00

Fuel and Light

24,000 tons of coal at $7.60 (including weighing)	$182,400 00	
Electric power	3,000 00	
		$185,400 00
425 cords of wood at $12 (including splitting and housing)		5,100 00
Gas and Electric Lighting		23,500 00
Total, under the head of "Fuel and Light"		$214,000 00

Supplies and Incidentals.

Text-books, reference books, and exchange of books,	$55,000 00
Books for supplementary reading	2,000 00
Globes, maps, and charts	2,000 00
Music expenses: instruments, repairs and covers	3,000 00
Printing and stock used for same, including reports of School Committee meetings	11,000 00
Philosophical, chemical, and mathematical apparatus and supplies	9,000 00
Lectures and expenses pertaining to the same, under the direction of the Committee on Evening Schools,	1,500 00
Rents and repairs, under the direction of the Committee on School Houses	1,000 00
School census	1,700 00
Stationery, drawing materials, and record books	32,000 00
Commercial Course in High Schools	3,000 00
Diplomas, blackboard materials, etc.	3,400 00
Carried forward	$124,600 00

Brought forward	$124,600 00
Advertising	600 00
Military Drill: arms, repairs, and expenses of annual parade	1,500 00
Removing ashes from school-houses and snow from yards	1,900 00
Flags for school-houses	500 00
Janitors' and other supplies, including disinfectant	9,500 00
Supplies for Manual Training	14,000 00
Supplies for Kindergartens and services of maids	9,500 00
Cost of work for delivering supplies, including salaries, expenses of teaming, etc.	7,500 00
Tuition of Boston pupils in the Schools of Brookline, Everett, and Winthrop	3,000 00
Car and ferry tickets, Horace Mann School (cost refunded by State)	3,000 00
Transportation of pupils, Blackinton School	300 00
Tuition of Boston wards boarding in sundry cities and towns of the State (see chapter 496, Acts of 1898)	6,300 00
Travelling expenses of Truant Officers, School-house Custodian, Instructor of Military Drill, and pupils in special classes	1,200 00
Materials for study of Natural History, including stereopticon slides	600 00
Toilet paper	1,500 00
Supplies for Educational Centres	300 00
Carriage hire	250 00
Refreshments	1,000 00
Miscellaneous, including sewing materials, teaming, extra labor, postage, car and ferry tickets, badges for licensed minors, extra clerk-hire, and sundry small items	3,450 00
Totals for Supplies and Incidentals	$190,500 00

Schoolhouse Department.

Repairs and alterations of school buildings	$287,133 00
Rents of hired school accommodations	49,000 00
Salaries and expenses of Schoolhouse Commission	20,000 00
Total for Schoolhouse Department	$356,133 00

RECAPITULATION.

Salaries of instructors	$2,501,000 00
Salaries of officers	77,581 00
Salaries of janitors	195,000 00
Fuel and light	214,000 00
Supplies and incidentals	190,500 00
Repairs and alterations of school buildings	287,133 00
Rents of hired school accommodations	49,000 00
Salaries and expenses of Schoolhouse Commission	20,000 00
Total amount appropriated	$3,534,214 00

The committee do not recommend at the present time that an appropriation be made of the sum available according to law (at the rate of forty cents on each thousand dollars of the valuation) for the purchase of lands and additions to school yards, and the erection and furnishing of new school buildings, amounting to	$459,411 62

Accepted, and the order laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on Accounts: weekly payments to janitors. [See p. 70.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — Feb. 24 — a communication from the City Council, through His Honor the Mayor, requesting the School Committee to arrange for the payment of the janitors of the public school-houses weekly instead of monthly, reported that they have considered this request carefully and are of the opinion that the action suggested should not be taken, for the reason that, aside from the merits of the case, the School Committee are not in a position to assume the additional expense of from ten thousand to fifteen thousand dollars ($10,000 to $15,000) that would be entailed by weekly payments during the present financial year. Your committee recommend, therefore, that a copy of this report be transmitted respectfully to the City Council, through His Honor the Mayor, for its information.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Payment to Conrad J. Hermann.

Ordered, That there be paid to Conrad J. Hermann the sum of thirteen and $\frac{53}{100}$ dollars ($13.53) for services as acting janitor of the Minot School-house from Mar. 1 to Mar. 7, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Charles J. Carlson.

Ordered, That there be paid to Charles J. Carlson the sum of thirty and $\frac{90}{100}$ dollars ($30.90) for services as acting janitor of the Minot School-house from Jan. 15 to Jan. 31, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to William Swanzey.

Ordered, That there be paid to William Swanzey the sum of three and $\frac{33}{100}$ dollars ($3.33) for services as acting janitor of the Freeman School-house from Feb. 8 to Feb. 11, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on Salaries; payment to Ida M. Carliell. [See p. 82.]

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred, Feb. 24, an order that Mrs. I. M. Carliell be paid the sum of forty-one and $\frac{18}{100}$ dollars ($41.18) for services as substitute in the Emerson District during the month of February, 1903, reported that they have considered the matter and find that the services were rendered during the month of January, and that the amount due this substitute is slightly less than that stated in the order referred. Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That there be paid to Ida M. Carliell the sum of thirty-seven and $\frac{58}{100}$ dollars ($37.58) for services rendered as substitute in the Emerson District during the month of January, 1903.

Accepted, and the order laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, reported the following resignation:

Report of Committee on School Houses; resignation of a janitor.

JANITOR.

Walnut-street School-house. — Henry T. Allchin, to date from Mar. 6, 1903.

Accepted.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on the Third Division, reported the death of Emma C. Keating, late assistant, Grammar School in the Eliot District, which occurred Feb. 25, 1903.

Report of Committee on Third Division; death of Emma C. Keating.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, for the Committee on High Schools, it was

Ordered, That the annual parade of the Boston School Cadets take place on Friday, May 29, 1903.

Date of annual parade.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the annual prize drills take place as follows:

Date of annual prize drills.

English High School, Thursday, April 2, 1903.

Public Latin School, Friday, April 3, 1903.

Suburban High Schools, Friday, May 15, 1903.

Mr. Kenny, for the Committee on Supplies, presented the annual report of that committee in print (School Document, No. 1, 1903.)

Annual report of Committee on Supplies.

Accepted.

On motion of Miss Barrows, for the Committee on the Horace Mann School, it was

Ordered, That the income of the Samuel E. Sawyer bequest for the benefit of the Horace Mann School be expended to aid the work of said school by the principal of said school, under the direction and with the approval of the Committee on the Horace Mann School.

Income of Samuel E. Sawyer bequest expended for benefit of Horace Mann School.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books, it was

Orchestral music offered as an elective, English High School.

Ordered, That orchestral music be offered as an elective subject in the English High School, as a substitute for vocal music.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, for the same committee, it was

Orchestral music offered as an elective, Roxbury High School.

Ordered, That orchestral music be offered as an elective subject during the current school year in the Roxbury High School, as a substitute for vocal music.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, for the same committee, it was

High School course of study amended.

Ordered, That the course of study for the High Schools be amended by adding the following subjects for the fourth year: Music, to be given one point; physical training, to be given three points.

Report of Committee on Seventh Division; death of Mary Wall.

Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, reported the death of Mary Wall, principal, Kindergarten, Phillips Brooks District, which occurred Feb. 27, 1903.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on the Extended Use of School Buildings, it was

Extended use of school buildings.

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings are hereby authorized to permit the use of such buildings or parts of buildings as they and the respective committees in charge may approve, for such educational work as they shall deem wise, which use shall not interfere with the regular work of the schools, be without expense to the city, except for light and heat, and subject to the general supervision and control of said committee.

Communication from Evacuation Day Committee, South Boston Citizens' Association; suspension of school sessions afternoon of March 17.

The following communication was read:

HEADQUARTERS SOUTH BOSTON CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION,
EVACUATION DAY COMMITTEE,
SOUTH BOSTON, Feb. 23, 1903.

To the Honorable President and Members Boston School Committee:

Believing it of vast importance that the pupils of the public schools, who comprise the rising generation, should be impressed with the full significance of Evacuation Day, the undersigned

respectfully petition your honorable body to again this year pass an order to have appropriate exercises held in all Boston Public Schools in the morning of March 17, and close the schools of the city in the afternoon.

Respectfully submitted,

EVACUATION DAY COMMITTEE, SOUTH BOSTON CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION OF 1903.

EDWARD P. BARRY, *Chairman*,
(and eleven others).

Placed on file.

Mr. Kenny offered the following order, and moved that the rules be suspended in order to permit its passage:

Suspension of afternoon sessions of South Boston and Dorchester schools March 17.

Ordered, That the afternoon sessions, of the public schools in South Boston and in Dorchester be suspended on Tuesday, Mar. 17, 1903; that the Dorchester and South Boston High Schools close at twelve o'clock on that day, and that appropriate exercises commemorative of Evacuation Day be held in the several schools in said South Boston and Dorchester during the morning session.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the question was divided by separating the schools in South Boston from those in Dorchester.

Mr. Casey moved as an amendment, that both morning and afternoon sessions of all the schools be suspended on the day specified.

On motion of Mr. Harkins the yeas and nays were ordered on the motion to amend.

Mr. Casey's motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Mr. Casey, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, and Mulvey — 10.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Paine, Pierce, and Storrow — 13.

Absent: Mr. Vogel.

The motion to suspend the rules in order to entertain that part of the original order relating to the South Boston schools was passed.

The question came on suspending the rules in order to permit action upon that part of Mr. Kenny's order relating to the closing of the schools in Dorchester.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, the yeas and nays were ordered.

The motion to suspend the rules was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald Merritt, Mulvey — 17.

Nays: Messrs. Bolster, Cushing, Ernst, Paine, Pierce, and Storrow — 6.

Absent: Mr. Vogel.

The question came on the passage of Mr. Kenny's order so far as it related to the schools in South Boston.

Mr. Kenny, with the unanimous consent of the Board, withdrew the order offered by him.

Mr. Kenny thereupon moved that the sessions of the schools in South Boston be entirely suspended on Tuesday, Mar. 17, and that the rules be suspended to permit the passage of his motion.

Rules suspended.

The motion to suspend the rules passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, and Storrow — 20.

Nays: Messrs. Cushing and Ernst — 2.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Bolster and Vogel.

Mr. Kenny's motion passed.

Mr. Mulvey moved that the afternoon sessions of all

the public schools be suspended on Tuesday, Mar. 17 and that the rules be suspended to permit action thereon.

Mr. Mulvey's motion to suspend the rules was declared lost.

Mr. Mulvey doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The motion to suspend the rules was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Keenan, Keough, McDonald, Merritt and Mulvey — 9.

Nays: Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Kenny, Paine, Pierce, and Storrow — 12.

Absent or not voting: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brett and Vogel.

Reconsideration of order regarding salaries of truant officers. [See p. 80.]

Mr. Harkins, having filed with the Secretary the required notice of his intention so to do, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby an order that the Committee on Salaries be requested to consider and report what modifications, if any, should be made in the present scale of salaries of the truant officers, was declared passed at the last meeting.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, the yeas and nays were ordered on his motion to reconsider.

The motion to reconsider was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, and Mulvey — 10.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Paine, Pierce, and Storrow — 12.

Absent or not voting: Miss Dierkes and Mr. Vogel.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, it was

Children under fourteen not to frequent municipal dumps during school hours.

Ordered, That the Secretary communicate with the Superintendent of the Sanitary Division of the City of Boston, and request him to instruct the employees of that department not to allow children under fourteen years of age to frequent the municipal dumps during school hours.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, it was

Children under fourteen not to frequent municipal dumps during school hours.

Ordered, That the Secretary communicate with the Board of Police Commissioners of the City of Boston, and request them to instruct the officers in the various precints to give special attention to the patrolling of the vicinity of the municipal dumps, in order to prevent children under fourteen years of age frequenting said dumps during school hours.

Communication from Mrs. Colton; additional primary and kindergarten accommodations, New Dorchester.

A communication was received from Mrs. A. E. Colton, under date of Mar. 2, relative to the providing of additional primary and kindergarten accommodations in the vicinity of Centre street, New Dorchester.

Referred to the Committee on the Ninth Division.

On motion of Mr. Keenan, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

LABLE PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, March 24, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Burrill, Ernst, Gallivan, and McDonald.

On motion of Mr. Keough, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Approval of appointments and confirmations laid over.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments and confirmations of instructors as presented at the last meeting.

The appointments and confirmations were approved.

The following order, laid over at the meeting of Feb. 24, took its second reading:

Amendment of Rules; consideration of text, reference and supplementary books. [See p. 76.]

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows:

SECT. 39, par. 4. Strike out said paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:

4. Shall report upon text and reference books in April, and upon supplementary books in November, of each year.

Passed.

Appropriations for maintenance of public schools, 1903–1904.

The annual appropriation order, laid over at the last meeting (see Minutes, pp. 96–109), was read.

Mr. Pierce moved the passage of the order.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, the order was recommitted to the Committee on Accounts.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

Payment to Conrad J. Hermann. [See p. 110.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Conrad J. Hermann the sum of thirteen and $\frac{53}{100}$ dollars ($13.53) for services as acting janitor of the Minot School-house from Mar. 1 to Mar. 7, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Charles J. Carlson. [See p. 110.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Charles J. Carlson the sum of thirty and $\frac{90}{100}$ dollars ($30.90) for services as acting janitor of the Minot School-house from Jan. 15 to Jan. 31, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to William Swanzey. [See p. 111.]

Ordered, That there be paid to William Swanzey the sum of three and $\frac{33}{100}$ dollars ($3.33) for services as acting janitor of the Freeman School-house from Feb. 8 to Feb. 11, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Ida M. Carliell.

Ordered, That there be paid to Ida M. Carliell the sum of thirty-seven and $\frac{58}{100}$ dollars ($37.58) for services rendered as substitute in the Emerson District during the month of January, 1903.

Communication from Board of Supervisors; advisability of dispensing with drawing and writing books. [See pp. 80, 81.]

The following communication was read:

City of Boston,
Office of Board of Supervisors,
March 20, 1903.

The following communication from the School Board, under date of Feb. 24, was read:

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors consider and report to this Board whether, in their opinion, in view of the present condition of school finances, the use of drawing books might not be dispensed with and plain paper for drawing be used in the schools, either temporarily or permanently, without detriment to the true educational interests of the pupils; also whether writing paper might not be used satisfactorily as a substitute for, or in connection with, writing books, without detriment to the true educational interests of the pupils.

After consideration of the foregoing, the Board of Supervisors took the following action thereon:

1. *Voted*, That it is the opinion of the Board of Supervisors that the use of drawing books can be dispensed with, and plain paper for drawing be used in the schools, either temporarily or permanently, without detriment to the true educational interests of the pupils.

2. *Voted*, That it is the opinion of the Board of Supervisors that the use of writing books can be dispensed with temporarily in the schools without detriment to the true educational interests of the pupils.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN P. SEAVER,
Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

Placed on file.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Bigelow District.—Eleanor M. Jordan, assistant, Grammar School, Apr. 13, 1903.

Lowell Educational Centre.—Edward P. Sherburne, principal, Mar. 20, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments and confirmations, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Adams District.—Grace H. Smith, Boston, Grammar School, from Mar. 16, 1903.

Agassiz District.—Carolyn B. Shattuck, Boston, Kindergarten, from Feb. 2, 1903.

Martin District.—Mary E. Mahan, Natick, Primary School, from Mar. 23, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Bowdoin District.—Bertha F. Drake, Reading, assistant, Kindergarten, from Mar. 2, 1903.

Comins District.—Grace V. Lynch, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 25, 1903.

Eliot District.—Annie E. Regan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 1, 1903.

Mather District.—Genevra M. Pennoyer, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 23, 1903.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Phillips Brooks District.—Mary E. Kelleher, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 13, 1903.

Quincy District. — Idabel F. Butler, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 1, 1903.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Adams District. — Ellen L. Moran, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Mar. 2, 1903.

Bigelow District. — Katharine A. Cunniff, Natick, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Apr. 13, 1903.

Comins District. — Mina Guyton, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Feb. 2, 1903.

Emerson District. — Christine G. Long, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Feb. 16, 1903.

Lewis District. — Mabel G. Berry, Cambridge, assistant, Kindergarten, from Feb. 24, 1903.

Longfellow District. — Amy A. Snelling, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Jan. 5, 1903.

Lowell District. — Beatrice H. Gunn, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Mar. 16, 1903.

Lyman District. — Gertrude L. Gavin, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Mar. 2, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Alice J. Sughrue, Boston, principal, Kindergarten, from Mar. 2, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmations.

South Boston High School. — Lillian A. Bragdon, assistant.

Prince District. — Charles G. Wetherbee, submaster.

Roger Wolcott District. — Mary M. McNally, Mary G. Woodman, assistants, Grammar School.

Thomas N. Hart District. — Fannie P. Walker, assistant, Kindergarten.

Wells District. — Ella F. Grafton, assistant, Grammar School; Florence K. Alexander, assistant, Primary School,

Manual Training Schools. — Grace K. Peaslee, asssistant instructor.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

Christopher Gibson District. — Rose E. A. Redding, assistant, Primary Schools, from Mar. 16, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Jennie I. Paul, Boston, substitute.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Maria L. Mace, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Ida M. Mayers, Boston, substitute. Evelyn M. Rich, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 16. 1903, until July 1, 1903; Violet C. Creber, Boston, substitute.

Norcross District. — Ann E. Newell, first assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 2, 1903, until Mar. 23, 1903; Alice Neilan, Boston, substitute.

The following appointment, made by the Superintendent, and accompanied by a written statement by him of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto, was presented for approval:

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Roxbury High School. — Mary H. Shed, Boston, assistant, from Apr. 13, 1903. Temporary teacher.

Approved, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 61 minors to be licensed as newsboys, and of 3 to be licensed as bootblacks. Minors' licenses.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

Revocation of minors' licenses.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the licenses of two minors to sell newspapers, for having violated the conditions on which said licenses were granted them.

Approved.

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, offered the following:

Leaves of absence to Kindergarten teachers.

Ordered, That such kindergarten teachers as may be designated by the Superintendent, be granted leave of absence in order that they may attend the convention of the National Kindergarten Association, to be held in Pittsburg Apr. 13–17, 1903, inclusive, said leave of absence to be without loss of pay.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on School Houses, reported for the approval of the Board, the following appointments:

JANITORS.

Report of Committee on School Houses; appointments of janitors.

Minot School-house. — Frank P. Bartlett, to date from Apr. 1, 1903.

Walnut-st. School-house. — Conrad J. Hermann, to date from Apr. 1, 1903.

Approved.

Additional school accommodations, Longfellow District. [See pp. 87, 88.]

On motion of Mr. Brock, for the same committee, Item 34 contained in the report of the Committee on School Houses presented at the meeting of Mar. 10, viz.:

Roslindale, Longfellow District. — An addition to the present Longfellow School-house, to contain six class-rooms. This instead of a new primary school-house as originally recommended.

was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Salary of matron of

Ordered, That the salary of the matron of the Bigelow Educational Centre be fixed at the rate of one dollar

($1) for each evening of actual service, to date from Jan. 7, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Bigelow Educational Centre.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to John Murphy, janitor of the Girls' High School, the sum of five dollars ($5) for extra services rendered by him in connection with the teachers' examinations held in that building Jan. 23 and 24, 1903.

Payment to John Murphy.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Mulvey, for the Committee on Truant Officers, reported that at the meeting of Feb. 24 they recommended the transfer of the office of the truant officers from their present quarters to a vacant room in the Brimmer School-house. Subsequently they have reached the conclusion that the truant officers should be transferred to the Parkman School-house in South Boston, where convenient accommodations are available without interference with school work. They therefore recommend that this change be made.

Report of Committee on Truant Officers; transfer of truant officers' quarters. [See p. 79.]

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

On motion of Mr. Keough, it was

Ordered, That the Secretary be requested to report to the Board the number of times the fire-alarm signal has been given by the principals of the various school districts during the year 1902–03, in accordance with the provisions of Sect. 197 of the Regulations.

Secretary to secure information regarding fire-alarm signals.

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, presented the annual report of that committee in print (School Document, No. 2, 1903).

Annual report of Committee on Accounts.

Accepted.

Mr. Brett, for the Committee on Evening Schools, offered the following:

Ordered, That the teachers in the Evening High and Elementary Schools, and in the Educational Centres, be paid for the evening of Monday, Feb. 23.

Evening School instructors paid for evening of Feb. 23.

Passed under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payments to Frederick Fraser and Miah B. O'Keefe.

Ordered, That there be paid to Frederick Fraser the sum of twenty-four dollars ($24) for services rendered as assistant in the Eliot Evening School from Jan. 7 to Jan. 22, 1903, inclusive; and that there be paid to Miah B. O'Keefe the sum of twenty-six dollars ($26) for similar services in the same school from Feb. 4 to Feb. 20, 1903, inclusive.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following:

Dates of graduating exercises, Girls' High and Girls' Latin Schools.

Ordered, That the graduating exercises of the Girls' High and the Girls' Latin Schools be held this year on Saturday, June 20.

Rules suspended.

Report of Committee on High Schools; leave of absence to Herbert T. Rich.

Mr. Vogel, for the same committee, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an application of Herbert T. Rich, junior-master in the Public Latin School, for leave of absence on half pay from Sept. 1, 1903, until Sept. 1, 1904, reported that they have carefully considered said application, and recommend that the same be not granted.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

On motion of Mrs. Duff, for the Committee on Drawing, it was

Date of closing exercises, Evening Drawing Schools.

Ordered, That the closing exercises of the Evening Drawing Schools be held in the hall of the English High School-house on Thursday evening, Apr. 2, 1903, commencing at 7.30 o'clock P.M.

On motion of Mrs. Duff, for the same committee, it was

Visiting days to drawing teachers.

Ordered, That the Superintendent be authorized to grant visiting days to any teachers of drawing who

shall signify to him in writing their intention of attending the meetings of the Eastern Art Teachers' Association on Apr. 22–24, 1903.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Quincy School Association; naming of new Norman School-house in honor of John D. Philbrick.

BOSTON, March 21, 1903.

To the School Committee of the City of Boston:

At the meeting of the Quincy School Association of Boston, held on Dec. 29, 1902, the following resolution was unanimously adopted, and it was voted that the same be transmitted to the School Committee:

Resolved, That recognizing the distinguished services rendered to the public schools of Boston by the late John D. Philbrick, the organizer and first master of the Quincy School, who has not yet received the merited recognition of having a school-house named in his honor, the Quincy School Association, composed of graduates and former members of the Quincy School in Boston, hereby earnestly request that the new school-house in course of erection on Norman street, in the old Mayhew District, where Mr. Philbrick began his eminently honorable work in the Boston schools, may be named the John D. Philbrick School.

Respectfully submitted.

QUINCY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION,
JOHN A. BRETT, *President.*

JOSEPH M. SULLIVAN,
Secretary.

Referred to the Committee on Names of Buildings.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, it was

Committee on meeting of National Educational Association.

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to co-operate with committees of other organizations in preparing for the meeting of the National Educational Association to be held in Boston in the coming summer, and to represent the Boston School Board on that occasion.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

In School Committee, April 14, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Burrill, Ernst, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, and Storrow.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments and confirmations of instructors, as presented at the last meeting.

Approval of appointments and confirmations laid over.

The appointments and confirmations were approved.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

Ordered, That the salary of the matron of the Bigelow Educational Centre be fixed at the rate of one dollar ($1) for each evening of actual service, to date from Jan. 7, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salary of matron of Bigelow Educational Centre. [See pp. 122, 123.]

Ordered, That there be paid to John Murphy, janitor of the Girls' High School, the sum of five dollars ($5) for extra services rendered by him in connection with the teachers' examinations held in that building Jan. 23 and 24, 1903.

Payment to John Murphy. [See p. 123.]

The following communication was read:

City of Boston, Schoolhouse Department,
120 Boylston Street, Mar. 31, 1903.

Communication from Schoolhouse Department; gymnastic apparatus for use at Lowell Educational Centre.

To the School Committee, Boston Public Schools:

Referring to the order of the School Committee, dated Feb. 10, 1903, namely:

"That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to furnish and set up in the Lowell School-house eight stall bars, one set of parallel bars, and a combination vaulting and horizontal bar."

I am directed by the Schoolhouse Commissioners to say that the same have been purchased and set up on the premises, in a manner satisfactory to the Superintendent of Hygiene and the Master of said school.

Respectfully yours,

H. B. FISHER,

Secretary.

Placed on file.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Secretary; information regarding fire-alarm signals.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ROOMS,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
BOSTON, Apr. 14, 1903.

To the School Committee:

In compliance with the following order, passed at the meeting of Mar. 24, viz.:

"*Ordered*, That the Secretary be requested to report to the Board the number of times the fire-alarm signal has been given by the principals of the various school districts during the year 1902–3, in accordance with the provisions of Section 197 of the Regulations."

I beg to state that reports have been received from seventy-one principals of the seventy-two schools and districts, containing the following information for the period beginning Sept. 1, 1902, and ending Apr. 1, 1903:

Schools or Districts.	Number of Times the Signal has been given.
18	0
8	1
7	2
4	3
6	4
4	5
4	6
2	7
2	8
2	9
2	10
1	Weekly.
1	Two or three times each month.
8	Monthly.
1	Frequently.
1	Occasionally.
1	Several times.
Total 72	

It further appears that there is a considerable variation in the number of times the signal has been given in the various buildings of the same district. For example: In one district the signal was given nine times in the main building, not at all in an adjoining building, five times in a large primary building, and omitted entirely in smaller buildings containing but two rooms. In another district the signal was given twice in the grammar building, and seven times in a primary building in which the means of exit do not compare favorably with the main building. In those cases where the times of giving the signal in the various buildings of a district have been specified in the reports of the principals, and differ, the figures entered in the foregoing table refer only to the main building.

The detailed reports upon which this statement is based are on file in my office.

Respectfully submitted,

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

The report was accepted, and, on motion of Mr. Keough, referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Roxbury High School. — Mary E. Upham, assistant, Apr. 13, 1903.

Adams District. — Harriet S. Warren, assistant, Kindergarten, Apr. 1, 1903.

Bowdoin District. — Lillian Hooper, assistant, Kindergarten, Mar. 2, 1903.

Phillips District. — Leila L. Rand, assistant, Primary School, Apr. 4, 1903.

Schools of Cookery. — Ellen L. Duff, principal, Apr. 1, 1903.

Permanent Substitute. — Florence M. Bell, Mar. 16, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfer, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Dearborn District. — Mary M. Gallivan, Holbrook, Primary School, from Apr. 13, 1903.

Dillaway District. — Katherine Keenan, Boston, Grammar School, from Mar. 31, 1903; Katherine T. O'Sullivan, Dedham, Primary School, from Jan. 20, 1903.

Roger Clap District. — Florence M. Bell, Boston, Grammar School, from Mar. 16, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Adams District. — Mary E. Kennedy, Braintree, assistant, Kindergarten, from Apr. 1, 1903.

Bowdoin District. — Ida E. Malaney, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 27, 1903.

Emerson District. — Helen M. Horton, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 1, 1903.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Ida M. Mayers, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 30, 1903.

Winthrop District. — F. Maud MacLachlan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 9, 1903, to Mar. 29, 1903, inclusive.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Lyman District. — Mary A. Ryan, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Mar. 2, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmations.

Gilbert Stuart District. — Caroline F. Melville, first assistant, Grammar School.

Washington Allston District. — Mizpeh B. Zewicker, assistant, Primary School.

Laid over, under the rule.

TRANSFER.

Adams District. — Lida J. Hamilton, assistant, Kindergarten, to the same position in the Phillips Brooks District, to date from Apr. 13, 1903.

Transfer of a teacher.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:

Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

East Boston High School. — Lucy R. Beadle, assistant, from Mar. 26, 1903, until May 31, 1903; Anna M. Linscott, Boston, substitute.

Adams District. — Ellen M. Robbins, first assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Anna E. Keaney, Boston, substitute.

Dearborn District. — Mary G. Finnegan, Boston, substitute for Annie S. Irvin, assistant, Grammar School, granted leave of absence.

Dwight District. — Frances J. White, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 17, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Annie L. Curly, Boston, substitute.

Gaston District. — J. Adelaide Noonan, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 2, 1903, until Apr. 3, 1903; Alice A. Sanborn, Boston, substitute.

Norcross District. — Cherrie W. St. Clair, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 13, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Lura A. Chase, Boston, substitute. Alice W. Baker, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 9, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Bertha J. Rich, Hyde Park, substitute.

Prince District. — M. Louise Fynes, first assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 30, 1903, until May 4, 1903; Caroline G. Tunis, Cambridge, substitute.

Thomas N. Hart District. — Mary E. Powell, first assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Jennie P. Grose, Boston, substitute.

Horace Mann School. —Ella C. Jordan, assistant principal, from May 4, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Helen C. Bacon, Boston, substitute.

The following appointment, made by the Superintendent, and accompanied by a written statement by him of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto, was presented for approval:

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Temporary teacher.

Rice Training School. — Emma C. McNamara, Cambridge, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 13, 1903.

Rules suspended.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointment, and the appointment was placed on file.

The following appointment, made by the Superintendent, in pursuance of a special order passed by the Board, was presented for approval:

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Special Class. — Schassa G. Row, Boston, teacher, from Mar. 31, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRE.

Educational Centre.

The appointments of the candidates named below as teachers in an Educational Centre for the season of 1902–1903, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

Bigelow Educational Centre. — Anna S. Streÿffert, Boston, from Mar. 5, 1903. Margaret J. Murphy, Boston, from Mar. 9, 1903. Annie C. Webber, Boston,

from Mar. 24, 1903. Sarah C. Selby, Boston, from Mar. 25, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Subsequently, the rules were suspended and the appointments approved.

Rules suspended.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 81 minors to be licensed as newsboys, and of 5 to be licensed as bootblacks.

Minors' licenses.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Chairman Board of Supervisors; certificate of service issued to Delia Condon.

BOSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, April 2, 1903.

To the School Committee, Boston, Mass:

At a recent meeting of the Board of Supervisors, the following matter was taken under consideration:

Mrs. Delia (Bonney) Condron was in the service of the city of Boston as a teacher, at the Poplar-street Primary School, Roslindale, from 1868 to 1874, during which time she rendered very acceptable service. In 1877, when the rules were changed, all instructors at that time in the service of the city were granted certificates of service. As Mrs. Condron had left the service three years before, she was not granted a certificate. Had she remained, she undoubtedly would have received one. She now wishes to do substitute work and has applied for a certificate in order that her work may be legal. The Board of Supervisors, being of the opinion that it would be desirable to issue the certificate applied for, has requested me to bring this matter to your attention in order that, if you should see fit, the necessary authority may be granted to the Supervisors to issue Mrs. Condron a certificate of qualification, service, Grammar School, Class B.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWIN P. SEAVER,
Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

On motion of Mr. Merrit, the recommendation of the Board of Supervisors was adopted.

Additional school accommodations, South Boston and Jamaica Plain.
[See pp. 87, 88.]

On motion of Mr. Brock, the following items contained in the report of the Committee on School Houses relative to additional school accommodations presented at the meeting of Feb. 24, were taken from the table, viz:

13 and 14. South Boston. New district. — Grammar school-house in the vicinity of City Point. This instead of the proposed additions to the Gaston and Lincoln School-houses, as originally recommended.

25. Jamaica Plain. Agassiz district. — Four-room addition to the Francis Parkman School-house, thus completing this building according to the original plans. This instead of the proposed grammar school-house south of Forest Hills station, as originally recommended.

On motion of the same member the items were adopted.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on School Houses, reported the following death, resignations, appointment and transfers:

JANITORS.

Death.

Report of Committee on School Houses; death, resignations, appointment and transfers of janitors.

Cyrus Alger School-house. — Martin P. Brown, Apr. 8, 1903.

Accepted.

Resignations.

Skinner School-house. — Margaret Ring, to date from Apr. 15, 1903.

Wait School-house and Portables, Nos. 86 and 87. — Mary E. Johnson, to date from Mar. 26, 1903.

Accepted.

Appointment.

Wait School-house and Portables, Nos. 86 and 87. — Margaret Ring, to date from Apr. 16, 1903.

Approved.

Transfers.

Oak Square School-house. — Jeremiah Shaw, to the same position in the Weston-street School-house and Portable, No. 28, to date from Apr. 16, 1903.

Weston-street School-house, and Portable, No. 28. — George F. J. Finn, to the same position in the Skinner School-house, to date from Apr. 16, 1903.

Approved.

Mr. Brock, for the same Committee, to whom was referred from the files of last year, a communication from the Common Council, through His Honor the Mayor, that the School Committee be requested to make provision for the establishment and maintenance of a school for the blind on the same lines as the Horace Mann School for the deaf and dumb, reported that they have carefully considered this matter, and that in their opinion it is inexpedient to take the action suggested in the communication referred. They therefore recommend that a copy of this report be transmitted to the Common Council, through His Honor the Mayor.

Report of Committee on School Houses; establishment of school for blind.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred from the files of last year, a communication from the City Council requesting consideration of the advisability of building an addition on the Francis Parkman School-house, reported that an item to this effect was included in their report on additional school accommodations presented at the meeting of Feb. 24, which item has now been adopted by this Board, and will be duly transmitted to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners. Your committee therefore recommend that a copy of this report be forwarded to the City Council for its information.

Report of Committee on School Houses; addition to Francis Parkman School-house.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Jan. 16 — a communication from the School Board of 1902 with reference to obtaining sites and the erection of new buildings for the Normal and Girls' Latin Schools, reported that Items 20 and 21 in their report on additional school accommodations submitted to the Board at its meeting of Feb. 24, and subsequently

Report of Committee on School Houses; proposed new Normal and Girls' Latin School-houses. [See p. 23.]

adopted and transmitted to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, include these two schools, and your committee therefore recommend that no further action is now required with regard to the same.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Report of Committee on School Houses on report of Committee on Truant Officers; transfers of truant officers' quarters. [See p. 123.]

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Mar. 24 — a report submitted by the Committee on Truant Officers relative to the proposed removal of the office of the truant officers to the Parkman School-house, South Boston, reported that the matter has been attended to, and the transfer made.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on School Houses; proper accommodations for classes in No. 20 Mt. Vernon-street School.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order that the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to furnish proper accommodations for classes that would otherwise be accommodated in the building numbered 20 Mt. Vernon street, Dorchester, reported that the completion of the new school-house on Columbia road, which will probably be ready for occupancy in September next, will undoubtedly provide needed relief in the Roger Clap District, and that alterations already made in the Mt. Vernon-street premises will, in the opinion of your committee, measurably improve the conditions existing therein at the time said order was passed, and permit a continuance of occupancy without too great inconvenience until the completion of the new school-house herein referred to. Your committee therefore recommend that no further action be taken on said order.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Report of Committee on SchoolHouses; room in basement of Lowell

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order that a room in the basement in the Lowell School-house be

comfortably heated, reported that necessary alterations have been made to produce the desired result, and that no further action by the Board is now necessary.

School-house to be heated.

Accepted.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order relating to the sanitary condition of the Florence-street School-house, reported that the matter has received attention and the building is now in good sanitary condition.

Report of Committee on School Houses; sanitary condition of Florence-street Primary School-house.

Accepted.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Feb. 10 — a petition from Richard E. Cochran *et als.*, that a school-house be erected in the immediate vicinity of Forest Hills to accommodate the children of that growing community, reported that a recommendation has been adopted by this Board to provide additional school accommodations in the vicinity named by erecting an addition to the present Francis Parkman School-house, and your committee therefore recommend that no further action on the part of this Board on said petition is now required.

Report of Committee on School Houses; petition from Richard E. Cochran *et als.*, for new school-house, Forest Hills. [See p. 65.]

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order requesting them to consider and report upon the expediency of enlarging the lot of the Hobart-street School, Brighton, reported that in their opinion such action is advisable, and should be taken at an early date. But in view of the fact that no funds are at present available to meet the cost of the additional land required, and the inadequate school accommodations furnished for pupils in many sections of the city, your committee are constrained to recommend that action in this matter be deferred.

Report of Committee on School Houses; enlargement of Hobart-street School lot.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Amendment of Section 207 of Regulations; consent of Committee on School Houses for use of school buildings for other than school work.

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows:

Sect. 207. Strike out the words "in charge," in the third line of said section, and substitute in place thereof the words: — on School Houses.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Brock, for the same committee, it was

Employment of two reserve janitors.

Ordered, That the employment of two substitute or reserve janitors is hereby authorized by this Board, and that the Committee on Salaries be requested to report a proper rate of compensation for the same.

Appropriations for maintenance of public schools, 1903-04. [See pp. 96-109, 117.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, presented the following:

SCHOOLS.

Appropriation, 1903–1904.

School Committee,
Office of Accounts, April 14, 1903.

To the School Committee:

The Committee on Accounts to whom was recommitted the appropriation order presented to the School Board under date of March 10, 1903, covering the expenses of the schools for the financial year 1903–04, present the following in place thereof:

In accordance with Section 36, Chapter 2, of the Rules of the School Board, and under Section 1, Chapter 448, of the Acts of 1901, the Committee on Accounts present herewith, in detail, an estimate of the amount which in their opinion should be appropriated for the support of the public schools for the financial year 1903–1904.

The Board of Assessors have certified that the average taxable valuation of the city, which forms the basis for computing the sum allowed the School Committee for the present year, amounts to $1,148,529,060.88. Three and forty one-hundredths on each thousand dollars of this valuation (the rate fixed by Chapter 448

of the Acts of 1901) amounts to $3,904,998.80, and to this sum should be added the unexpended balance for the financial year 1902–1903 of $39,895.25, an excess of income over that estimated for 1902–1903 of $6,732.04, and a probable income of $45,000 for the present year, making a total amount of $3,996,626.09. This is the total legal limit which the School Committee can appropriate for all purposes during the present year.

Of this amount not less than $287,132.26 (at the rate of twenty-five cents on each thousand dollars of the valuation) shall be appropriated solely for repairs and alterations of school buildings; and $459,411.62 (at the rate of forty cents on each thousand dollars of the valuation) solely for the purchase of lands and additions to school yards and the erection and furnishing of new school buildings; provided, however, that in the year 1903, under the provisions of Section 1, Chapter 170, of the Acts of 1903, passed March 23, 1903, the School Committee, instead of appropriating the said forty cents upon every such one thousand dollars solely for new school buildings, lands, yards, and furnishings as aforesaid, may appropriate such portion thereof as the Mayor of the city may approve, not exceeding $60,000, for the support of the public schools, in addition to the amounts hereinbefore authorized to be used for that purpose.

The appropriation as recommended is based upon the following statement:

Money available, exclusive of the amount that might be appropriated for new buildings, etc.

$3.00 per thousand, on $1,148,529,060.88, equals .	$3,445,587 18
Balance unexpended 1902–03	39,895 25
Surplus income 1902–03	6,732 04
Income estimated 1903–04	45,000 00
Additional amount allowed under Section 1, Chapter 170, of the Acts of 1903	60,000 00
Total	$3,597,214 47

In accordance with these statements, this committee recommend the passage of the accompanying order. (Page 152).

For the Committee on Accounts,

PHINEAS PIERCE,
Chairman.

Basis for Appropriations Recommended.

SALARIES OF INSTRUCTORS.

Normal School.

1	Head-master	$3,780	$3,780	
1	Master	2,484	2,484	
6	Assistants	1,620	9,720	
2	"	1,560	3,120	
1	Assistant	1,500	1,500	
1	"	1,320	1,320	
1	"	1,200	1,200	
1	Clerical Assistant	600	600	
				$23,724

Latin and High Schools.

First Grade.

1	Head-master	$4,200	$4,200	
9	Head-masters	3,780	34,020	
36	Masters	3,060	110,160	
4	Junior-masters	2,916	11,664	
2	" "	2,772	5,544	
1	Junior-master	2,628	2,628	
3	Junior-masters	2,484	7,452	
6	" "	2,340	14,040	
7	" "	2,196	15,372	
2	" "	2,052	4,104	
3	" "	1,908	5,724	
3	" "	1,764	5,292	
2	" "	1,620	3,240	
				223,440

Third Grade.

1	Assistant Principal	$2,040	$2,040	
1	" "	1,836	1,836	
37	Assistants	1,620	59,940	
8	"	1,548	12,384	
16	"	1,476	23,616	
11	"	1,404	15,444	
2	"	1,332	2,664	
2	"	1,260	2,520	
3	"	1,188	3,564	
12	"	1,116	13,392	
12	"	1,044	12,528	
4	"	972	3,888	
1	Assistant on half pay	810	810	
				154,626
	Carried forward			$401,790

	Brought forward			$401,790

Mechanic Arts High School.

1	Head-master	$3,780	$3,780	
3	Masters	3,060	9,180	
1	Junior-master	2,772	2,772	
2	Junior-masters	2,196	4,392	
2	" "	1,908	3,816	
1	Junior-master	1,620	1,620	
1	" "	1,476	1,476	
1	Instructor in metal working .	2,520	2,520	
4	Instructors	2,340	9,360	
1	Instructor	1,500	1,500	
1	Assistant Instructor . . .	1,620	1,620	
1	" "	1,332	1,332	
1	" "	1,116	1,116	
1	Special Instructor	672	672	
6	Special Assistants		2,750	
1	Laboratory Assistant . .		500	
	Additional compensation for extra work of instructors named above . . .		3,100	
				51,506

Grammar and Primary Schools.

Second Grade.

51	Masters	$3,180	$162,180	
1	Master	3,060	3,060	
1	"	2,940	2,940	
2	Masters	2,820	5,640	
3	"	2,700	8,100	
3	Sub-masters	2,460	7,380	
40	" "	2,340	93,600	
4	" "	2,220	8,880	
5	" "	2,100	10,500	
5	" "	1,980	9,900	
2	" "	1,860	3,720	
4	" "	1,740	6,960	
5	" "	1,620	8,100	
1	Sub-master	1,500	1,500	
				332,460

Fourth Grade.

76	First Assistants, Grammar .	$1,212	$92,112	
2	" " " . .	1,164	2,328	
	Carried forward		$94,440	$785,756

	Brought forward		$94,440	$785,756
5	First Assistants, Grammar .	$1,116	5,580	
7	" " " .	1,068	7,476	
10	" " " .	1,020	10,200	
4	" " " .	972	3,888	
386	Assistants, Grammar . .	936	361,296	
66	" " . .	888	58,608	
51	" " . .	840	42,840	
34	" " . .	792	26,928	
59	" " . .	744	43,896	
52	" " . .	696	36,192	
41	" " . .	648	26,568	
21	" " . .	600	12,600	
8	" " . .	552	4,416	
16	Assistants, Grammar, on half pay		7,488	
72	First Assistants, Primary .	1,080	77,760	
2	" " " . .	1,032	2,064	
2	" " " . .	984	1,968	
301	Assistants, Primary . .	936	281,736	
62	" " . . .	888	55,056	
33	" " . . .	840	27,720	
25	" " . . .	792	19,800	
34	" " . . .	744	25,296	
49	" " . . .	696	34,104	
40	" " . . .	648	25,920	
30	" " . . .	600	18,000	
12	" " . . .	552	6,624	
5	" " on half pay,		2,340	
56	Temporary Teachers, 100 days	11,200		
40	Special Assistants, 100 days .	6,000		
20	Permanent Substitutes . .	2,000		
		$19,200		
	Less amount city will receive from absent teachers . .	7,500		
			11,700	
				1,332,504
	Kindergartens.			
	Director		$2,880	
55	Principals	$792	43,560	
10	"	744	7,440	
11	"	696	7,656	
7	"	648	4,536	
	Carried forward		$66,072	$2,118,260

Brought forward		$66,072	$2,118,260
1 Principal	$624	624	
20 Assistants	624	12,480	
26 "	576	14,976	
16 "	528	8,448	
15 "	480	7,200	
5 "	432	2,160	
Special Assistant Service .		200	
			112,160

Manual Training School.

Carpentry: Principal . . .		$2,508	
5 Instructors . .	$1,200	6,000	
18 Assistant Instructors,	996	17,928	
3 " "	948	2,844	
4 " "	900	3,600	
3 " "	852	2,556	
1 Assistant Instructor,	804	804	
Cookery: Principal . . .		1,500	
6 Assistants . . .	936	5,616	
5 " . . .	888	4,440	
2 " . . .	840	1,680	
3 " . . .	792	2,376	
1 Assistant . . .	744	744	
2 Assistants . . .	648	1,296	
3 " . . .	600	1,800	
1 Assistant . . .	552	552	
Sewing: 42 Instructors, 449 Divisions . . .		36,121	
			92,365

Horace Mann School for the Deaf.

Principal		$3,180	
1 Assistant	$1,440	1,440	
9 Assistants	1,284	11,556	
1 Assistant	1,212	1,212	
2 Assistants	1,140	2,280	
2 "	780	1,560	
			21,228

School on Spectacle Island.

Instructor		$400	
			400

Foreign Languages.

2 Assistants in French and German	$1,800	$3,600	
Carried forward		$3,600	$2,344,413

Brought forward		$3,600	$2,344,413
1 Instructor in German, Girls' Latin School		1,800	
1 Instructor in French, South Boston High School		972	
			6,372
Music.			
Director		$3,000	
1 Assistant Director . . .	$2,652	2,652	
3 " Directors . . .	2,076	6,228	
4 Assistants	1,044	4,176	
			16,056
Drawing.			
Director		$3,600	
Assistant Director . . .		2,508	
3 Assistants to Director . .	$1,500	4,500	
2 Special Teachers, Dorchester High School	1,200	2,400	
1 Special Teacher, English High School .		2,500	
1 Special Teacher, Roxbury High School,		1,200	
1 Special Teacher, South Boston High School		1,200	
1 Special Teacher, West Roxbury High School		1,200	
			19,108
Chemistry.			
1 Instructor Girls' High School . .		$1,620	
1 Laboratory Assistant, Girls' High School		936	
1 Laboratory Assistant, English High School		500	
1 Laboratory Assistant, Roxbury High School		936	
			3,992
Physical Training.			
Director		$3,000	
Assistant to Director		2,280	
" " "		1,800	
			7,080
Vocal and Physical Training and Reading.			
Instructor Girls' Latin School		$936	
" Brighton High School . .		936	
Carried forward		$1,872	$2,397,021

Brought forward	$1,872	$2,397,021
Instructor, Dorchester High School . .	1,200	
" East Boston High School . .	1,200	
" Girls' High School . . .	1,200	
" Roxbury High School . .	1,200	
" South Boston High School .	1,200	
" West Roxbury High School .	1,200	
Assistant to Instructor, Roxbury High School	900	
		9,972

Military Drill.

Instructor	$2,000	
Armorer	1,050	
		3,050

Commercial Branches.

2 Instructors, Brighton High School . .	$2,400	
1 Instructor, Charlestown High School .	1,200	
1 Special Instructor, Charlestown High School	1,560	
2 Special Instructors, Dorchester High School	3,180	
1 Instructor, Dorchester High School .	972	
1 " East Boston " " .	1,200	
1 Special Instructor, East Boston High School	1,500	
1 Special Instructor, English High School	1,320	
3 Instructors, Girls' High School . .	3,372	
1 Instructor, Roxbury High School . .	1,200	
2 Instructors, South Boston High School,	2,400	
1 Special Instructor, West Roxbury High School	1,560	
1 Instructor, West Roxbury High School,	972	
		22,836

Special Classes.

6 Instructors	$984	$5,904	
1 Instructor		936	
			6,840
Educational Centres			14,000
Vacation Schools			6,000
Carried forward			$2,459,719

Brought forward		$2,459,719
Evening High School.		
Head-Master, 22 weeks	$1,100	
2 Assistants in charge, 96 evenings . .	960	
46 Assistants, 22 weeks	20,240	
Clerk	440	
		22,740
Evening Elementary Schools.		
11 Principals, 22 weeks	$6,050	
3 " "	1,320	
12 First Assistants, 22 weeks . . .	3,300	
3 Assistants, Post Graduate Course, 22 weeks	825	
173 Assistants, 22 weeks	38,060	
		49,555
Evening Drawing Schools.		
2 Masters, 69 evenings	$1,380	
4 Principals, 69 "	2,208	
20 Assistants, 66 "	7,920	
5 " 66 "	1,650	
6 Curators	828	
		13,986
Total for Instructors		$2,546,000
Salaries of Officers.		
Superintendent	$6,000	
Six Supervisors at $3,780	22,680	
Clerks to Superintendent (4) . . .	4,100	
Secretary	3,300	
Clerks to Secretary (3)	2,580	
Auditing Clerk	3,300	
Clerks to Auditing Clerk (2)	2,328	
Assistant in offices Secretary and Auditing Clerk	600	
Messengers in offices (6)	3,873	
Twenty-one (21) Truant Officers . . .	29,900	
City Treasurer, Custodian	1,500	
School-house Custodian	2,004	
Clerk to School-house Custodian . .	416	
Total for Officers		$82,581

SALARIES OF JANITORS.

High Schools.

Latin and English High:	
Janitor, Latin	$1,920 00
Janitor, English High	4,200 00
Girls' Latin	960 00
Brighton High	1,620 00
Charlestown High	1,044 00
Dorchester High:	
Janitor	3,492 00
Matron	540 00
East Boston High:	
Janitor	2,472 00
Janitor	744 00
Matron	540 00
Girls' High: Janitor	$2,220 00
Janitor	960 00
Mechanic Arts High:	
Janitor	1,992 00
Engineer	1,080 00
Roxbury High	2,304 00
South Boston High:	
Janitor	3,492 00
Matron	540 00
West Roxbury High:	
Janitor	2,976 00
Matron	540 00
Total for High Schools,	$33,636 00

Grammar Schools.

Bigelow	$2,004 00
Chapman:	
Janitor	1,200 00
Engineer	756 00
Roger Wolcott	1,680 00
Bowdoin	1,440 00
Hugh O'Brien	1,404 00
Christopher Gibson	1,380 00
Henry L. Pierce	1,380 00
Mary Hemenway	1,380 00
Phillips Brooks	1,380 00
Gilbert Stuart	1,320 00
John A. Andrew	1,320 00
Rice	1,320 00
Sherwin	1,320 00
Bennett and branch	1,296 00
Martin	1,284 00
Bowditch	1,260 00
Agassiz	1,200 00
Emerson	1,200 00
Lyman	1,200 00
Prince	1,200 00
Hyde	1,176 00
Thomas N. Hart	1,164 00
Dearborn	1,140 00
Gaston	$1,140 00
Lawrence	1,140 00
Lewis	1,140 00
Shurtleff	1,140 00
Dudley	1,116 00
Lowell	1,104 00
Adams	1,080 00
Dwight	1,080 00
Frothingham	1,080 00
Harvard	1,080 00
Longfellow	1,080 00
Roger Clap	1,080 00
Comins	1,020 00
Lincoln	1,020 00
Warren	1,020 00
Dillaway	996 00
Hancock	984 00
Everett	960 00
Franklin	960 00
Phillips	936 00
Brimmer	900 00
Edward Everett	900 00
Quincy	900 00
Norcross	888 00
Bunker Hill	876 00

Eliot	$876 00	Allston Club House (branch of Washington Allston) . .	$336 00
Ware (branch of Eliot),	360 00	Charles Sumner . .	780 00
Winthrop . . .	876 00	Mather . . .	708 00
George Putnam . .	864 00	Minot	696 00
Prescott . . .	840 00	Forty-nine outside buildings, $300 or less per annum .	7,512 00
Robert G. Shaw . .	816 00	Total for Grammar Schools . . .	$73,932 00
Wells	816 00		
Washington Allston .	792 00		
William Wirt Warren (branch of Washington Allston) . .	636 00		

Primary Schools.

Paul Revere: Janitor .	$2,244 00	Parkman . . .	$720 00
Matron . . .	540 00	Roxbury-street . .	720 00
Mayhew . . .	1,200 00	Stephen M. Weld .	720 00
Winship . . .	1,200 00	Tileston . . .	720 00
Cudworth . . .	1,080 00	Quincy-street (Rox.) .	708 00
Cushman . . .	936 00	Thetford-street . .	672 00
Winchell . . .	888 00	Howard-avenue . .	660 00
Plummer . . .	864 00	Ira Allen . . .	660 00
Bartlett-street (Chsn.):		Noble	660 00
Janitor . . .	840 00	Tappan . . .	660 00
Matron . . .	540 00	West Concord-street .	660 00
Benjamin Cushing .	840 00	Kenilworth-street .	648 00
Blackinton . . .	840 00	Weston-street . .	624 00
Charles C. Perkins .	840 00	Atherton . . .	600 00
Cyrus Alger . .	840 00	Baker-street . .	600 00
Frederic A. Whitney .	840 00	Benjamin Pope . .	600 00
Samuel G. Howe .	840 00	Clinch . . .	600 00
William Bacon . .	840 00	Harvard Hill . .	600 00
Ticknor . . .	804 00	Hawes Hall and Simonds . . .	600 00
Appleton-street . .	780 00	Margaret Fuller . .	600 00
Benjamin Dean . .	780 00	Morton-street . .	600 00
W. L. P. Boardman .	780 00	Wait	600 00
Old Dorchester High .	780 00	Wyman . . .	600 00
Aaron Davis . .	768 00	William H. Kent .	576 00
Choate Burnham .	756 00	Lyceum Hall . .	564 00
Phillips-street (Rox.),	756 00	School-street (Dor.) .	552 00
Albert Palmer . .	720 00	Sharp	552 00
Andrews . . .	720 00	Abby W. May . .	540 00
Harris . . .	720 00	Drake	540 00
Joshua Bates . .	720 00	Polk-street . . .	540 00
Lucretia Crocker .	720 00		

Webb	$504 00	Somerset-street	$384 00
Aberdeen	480 00	Baldwin	372 00
B. F. Tweed	480 00	Old Mather (Dor.)	372 00
Capen	480 00	Bartlett-street (Rox.)	360 00
Emerson, Poplar street,	480 00	Hillside	360 00
Florence-street	480 00	Pormort	360 00
Francis Parkman	480 00	Cook	348 00
Old Agassiz	480 00	Mt. Vernon	348 00
Phineas Bates	480 00	Williams	336 00
Rutland-street	480 00	Tuckerman	324 00
Stoughton	480 00	Tyler-street	312 00
Walnut-street	480 00	Amount required to pay janitors for ninety-three school buildings where the salary paid is $300 or less per annum	15,168 00
Dorchester-avenue	444 00		
Bunker Hill-street	432 00		
Common-street	420 00		
Sumner-street (Dor.)	420 00		
Bailey-street	408 00		
George-street	408 00		
Mead-street	384 00	Total for Primary Schools	$72,840 00
North Harvard-street	384 00		

Special and Evening Schools.

Horace Mann School :		
1 Janitor	$780 00	
1 "	420 00	
1 "	300 00	
		$1,500 00
Vacation Schools and Educational Centres		1,100 00
Manual Training Schools :		
5 Janitors at less than $300 per annum		936 00
Kindergartens :		
6 Janitors at $300 or less		1,120 00
Evening Schools :		
Evening Elementary and Branch High Schools, 20 Janitors at less than $300		2,600 00
Evening Drawing Schools :		
5 Janitors at less than $300		600 00
Total for Special and Evening Schools		$7,856 00
School Committee Rooms :		
1 Janitor	$1,548 00	
1 "	840 00	
1 "	300 00	
1 Doorkeeper	480 00	
Total for School Committee Rooms		$3,168 00

RECAPITULATION.

High Schools		$33,636 00
Grammar Schools		73,932 00
Primary Schools		72,840 00
Special and Evening Schools		7,856 00
School Committee Rooms		3,168 00
Estimate for additional buildings to be acquired and temporary accommodations that may be needed during the year		3,968 00
Cleaning Company, for washing floors in August, or in case the janitors are required to do this work, the probable amount needed to increase salaries to correspond		2,600 00
Total for Janitors		$198,000 00

Fuel and Light.

24,000 tons of coal at $7.60 (including weighing)	$182,400 00	
Electric power	3,000 00	
		$185,400 00
425 cords of wood at $12 (including splitting and housing)		5,100 00
Gas and Electric Lighting		25,500 00
Total, under the head of Fuel and Light		$216,000 00

Supplies and Incidentals.

Text-books, reference books, and exchange of books	$56,000 00
Books for supplementary reading	2,000 00
Globes, maps, and charts	2,000 00
Music expenses : instruments, repairs, and covers	3,000 00
Printing and stock used for same, including reports of School Committee meetings	12,500 00
Philosophical, chemical, and mathematical apparatus and supplies	9,000 00
Lectures and expenses pertaining to the same, under the direction of the Committee on Evening Schools,	2,500 00
Rents and repairs, under the direction of the Committee on School Houses	1,300 00
School census	1,700 00
Stationery, drawing materials, and record books	32,500 00
Commercial Course in High Schools	3,000 00
Diplomas, blackboard materials, etc.	3,400 00
Carried forward	$128,900 00

Brought forward	$128,900 00
Advertising	600 00
Military Drill : arms, repairs, and expenses of annual parade	1,500 00
Removing ashes from school-houses and snow from yards	2,100 00
Flags for school-houses	500 00
Janitors' and other supplies, including disinfectant	9,500 00
Supplies for Manual Training	14,500 00
Supplies for Kindergartens and services of maids	10,000 00
Cost of work for delivering supplies, including salaries, expenses of teaming, etc.	7,500 00
Tuition of Boston pupils in the Schools of Brookline, Everett, and Winthrop	3,000 00
Car and ferry tickets, Horace Mann School (cost refunded by State)	3,000 00
Transportation of pupils, Blackinton School	300 00
Tuition of Boston wards boarding in sundry cities and towns of the State (see chapter 496, Acts of 1898)	6,900 00
Travelling expenses of Truant Officers, School-house Custodian, Instructor of Military Drill, and pupils in special classes	1,200 00
Materials for study of Natural History, including stereopticon slides	600 00
Toilet paper	1,500 00
Supplies for Educational Centres	600 00
Supplies for Vacation Schools	600 00
Carriage hire	250 00
Refreshments	1,000 00
Miscellaneous, including sewing materials, teaming, extra labor, postage, car and ferry tickets, badges for licensed minors, extra clerk-hire, and sundry small items	3,450 00
Totals for Supplies and Incidentals	$197,500 00

Schoolhouse Department.

Repairs and alterations of school buildings	$287,133 00
Rents of hired school accommodations	50,000 00
Salaries and expenses of Schoolhouse Commission	20,000 00
Total for Schoolhouse Department	$357,133 00

Ordered, That, to meet the current expenses of the School Committee payable during the financial year beginning Feb. 1, 1903, and ending Jan. 31, 1904, the following sums be appropriated for the purposes stated:

Salaries of instructors	$2,546,000
Salaries of officers	82,581
Salaries of janitors	198,000
Fuel and light	216,000
Supplies and incidentals	197,500
Repairs and alterations of school buildings	287,133
Rents of hired school accommodations	50,000
Salaries and expenses of Schoolhouse Commission	20,000
Total amount appropriated	$3,597,214

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, the rules were suspended to permit immediate action on the foregoing order.

Mr. Paine moved that the order be amended by adding the sum of $399,411.62 for constructing and furnishing new school buildings, including the taking of land therefor, and for school yards, and the preparing of school yards for use, said sum being the total amount which the School Committee is authorized under the Statute to appropriate for additional accommodations, at the rate of forty cents on each thousand dollars of the average valuation, less the $60,000 appropriated for current expenses under Chapter 170 of the Acts of 1903.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the amendment was laid on the table.

The report of the committee was accepted.

The Chair ruled that under the Statute the passage of the order required an affirmative two-thirds vote of all the members, taken by yeas and nays.

The order passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Gallivan, Harkins, Keough, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, and Vogel — 17.

Nays: None.

Absent or not voting: Mr. Burrill, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ernst, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, and Storrow.

Mr. Brett, for the Committee on Evening Schools, to whom was referred — Feb. 10 — a communication from the Common Council, through His Honor the Mayor, requesting that arrangements be made for a second series of public lectures to be given in the Lowell School, Ward 22, during the months of February and March, 1903, reported that your committee had proposed to arrange for such lectures prior to the receipt of the request of the Common Council, and that a course of four lectures has been given in said school during the preceding month. Your committee recommend that a copy of this report be respectfully transmitted to the Common Council, through His Honor the Mayor, for its information.

Report of Committee on Evening Schools; lectures given at Lowell Schoolhouse. [See p. 54.]

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Salaries be requested to provide proper compensation for janitors for extra services in connection with the free public lectures conducted under the direction of the Committee on Evening Schools.

Compensation for janitors for extra services, free public lectures.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Harkins, for the Committee on Supplies, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order that this committee be requested to have prepared five hundred maps bound in atlas form showing boundaries of the various school districts, reported that the matter has been attended to, and that no further action is necessary.

Report of Committee on Supplies; maps showing boundaries of school districts.

Accepted.

Mr. Harkins, for the Committee on Hygiene and Physical Training, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, a communication from Messrs. Robert Treat Paine, Charles P. Putnam, and F. M. McCutcheon,

Report of Committee on Hygiene and Physical Training; communica-

tion from Associated Charities; condition of teeth of school children.

a committee of the Associated Charities of Boston, relative to the welfare of the school children in the matter of preserving their teeth, reported that in their opinion no present action with regard to this matter is advisable. Your committee therefore recommend that the memorialists be given leave to withdraw.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Payment to John P. Swift.

Ordered, That there be paid to John P. Swift the sum of twelve dollars ($12) for extra services rendered by him as janitor of the Warren Evening School during the term 1902–03.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Nelson Weston.

Ordered, That there be paid to Nelson Weston the sum of fifty-six and $\frac{60}{100}$ dollars ($56.60) for extra services rendered by him as janitor of the Bowdoin Evening School during the term 1902–03.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Michael Gallagher.

Ordered, That there be paid to Michael Gallagher the sum of twenty-five and $\frac{85}{100}$ dollars ($25.85) for extra services rendered by him as janitor of the Comins Evening School during the term 1902–03.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Edward P. Clark.

Ordered, That there be paid to Edward P. Clark, janitor of the Hancock School, the sum of thirty-one and $\frac{20}{100}$ dollars ($31.20) for extra services rendered by him in connection with the evening school accommodations provided for the pupils of that school during the past year.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Joseph S. Luther the sum of eleven dollars ($11) for extra services rendered by him as janitor of the Lincoln Evening School during the term 1902–03. Payment to Joseph S. Luther.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Michael T. Reagan the sum of twenty-three and $\frac{86}{100}$ dollars ($23.86) for extra services rendered by him as janitor of the Norcross Evening School during the term 1902–03. Payment to Michael T. Reagan.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to John H. Crafts the sum of five dollars ($5) for care of the sidewalk of the vacant lot adjoining the Plummer School estate during the winter of 1902–03. Payment to John H. Crafts.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Jane A. Daly the sum of sixteen and $\frac{67}{100}$ dollars ($16.67) for extra services rendered by her as janitor of the Quincy Evening School during the term 1902–03. Payment to Jane A. Daly.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Cornelius A. Kenneally the sum of forty-four and $\frac{47}{100}$ dollars ($44.47) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Minot School-house from Mar. 8 to Mar. 31, 1903, inclusive. Payment to Cornelius A. Kenneally.

Laid over, under the rule.

Salary special assistant, French, Roxbury High School.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the special assistant to teach French only in the Roxbury High School, be fixed at the rate of two and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($2.50) for each day of actual service, to date from Feb. 3, 1903.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salary special teacher, household science and arts, Roxbury High School.

Ordered, That the salary of the special teacher of household science and arts in the Roxbury High School, be fixed at the rate of one hundred ninety-two dollars ($192) per annum, to date from Feb. 5, 1903.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of storekeeper in Supply Department.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred from the files of a previous year, an order relative to the salary of a storekeeper in the Supply Department, reported that no action with regard to this matter is necessary.

Accepted.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Timothy C. Keleher.

Ordered, That there be paid to Timothy C. Keleher he sum of eighteen and $\frac{67}{100}$ dollars ($18.67) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Wait School-house, and Wait Portable School-houses Nos. 86 and 87, from Mar. 27 to Apr. 3, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Conrad J. Hermann.

Ordered, That there be paid to Conrad J. Hermann the sum of thirty-two dollars ($32) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house from Mar. 7 to Mar. 31, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Patrick F. Higgins the sum of four and $\frac{13}{100}$ dollars ($4.13) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Weston-street School-house, and Weston-street Portable School-house No. 28 from Mar. 30 to Mar. 31, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Patrick F. Higgins.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That Lewis H. Dutton be paid at the rate of five dollars ($5) for each evening of actual service as Principal of the Hancock Educational Centre, to date from Apr. 3, 1903.

Payment to Lewis H. Dutton.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following:

Ordered, That a special teacher of household science and arts be allowed in the Brighton High School, to date from Sept. 9, 1903.

Special teacher household science and arts, Brighton High School.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Vogel, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the graduating exercises of the several Latin and High Schools may be held this year, at the discretion of the Committee on High Schools, during the week beginning Monday, June 15.

Dates of graduating exercises High and Latin Schools.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books, reported that under Sect. 39 of the Rules they are required to report upon text and reference books in April of each year, but as they are informed that it is the opinion of the Board of Supervisors, in view of the financial condition of the School Committee at the present time, that no serious detriment would result to the schools if no new text-books should be added to the authorized list, your committee recommend that for the present, at least, no changes in said list be made.

Report of Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books; omission of annual report on text and reference books.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Report of Committee on Seventh Division; death of Maria L. Mace.

Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, reported the death of Maria L. Mace, late assistant, grammar school, Hugh O'Brien District, which occurred Mar. 27, 1903.

Placed on file.

Report of Committee on Ninth Division; leave of absence to Gertrude Newman. [See p. 93.]

Mr. Merritt, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, to whom was referred — Mar. 10 — the application of Gertrude Newman, assistant, Grammar School, Mather District, for leave of absence, reported that they have favorably considered the matter and recommend the passage of the following order.

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted Gertrude Newman, assistant, Grammar School, Mather District, from June 15 until Nov. 1, 1903.

Rules suspended.

Accepted, and the order passed under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on Ninth Division; communication from Mrs. Colton; additional primary and kindergarten accommodations, New Dorchester. [See p. 116.]

Mr. Merritt, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Mar. 10 — a communication from Mrs. A. E. Colton relative to providing additional primary and kindergarten accommodations in the vicinity of Centre street, New Dorchester, reported that they have carefully considered the same and recommend that action thereon be indefinitely postponed.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Pierce offered the following:

Position of Principal of Schools of Cookery vacant.

Ordered, That in view of the financial situation, the Superintendent is instructed not to make, until further ordered by the Board, any nomination for the position of Principal of the Schools of Cookery, now vacant.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, referred to the Committee on Manual Training.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, it was

Schoolhouse Commissioners; salaries

Ordered, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be and hereby are requested to furnish this Board a detailed

statement of the salaries of all officers and subordinates in that department, including those of inspectors on duty at the various schools now in process of construction.

of officers and subordinate.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations are hereby instructed, on behalf of this Board, to confer with the Board of Police Commissioners with a view to the better enforcement of the laws and regulations of this Board as to minors' licenses.

Enforcement of laws regarding minors' licenses.

The followiug petitions were read:

To the School Committee of the City of Boston:

The undersigned, the Brimmer School Association, representing the graduates of the Brimmer School, in pursuance of a vote passed at its last annual meeting, respectfully petition your honorable board to take such steps as will result in the erection of a new grammar school-house for the Brimmer District. The present building, one of the oldest school-houses in the city, was erected in 1843, and has outlived its usefulness. In other sections of the city new and commodious school-houses are being provided for the accommodation of pupils, while those of the Brimmer District are compelled to attend a building that should have long since been abandoned for school purposes. Therefore your petitioners respectfully request that immediate action be taken looking to the discontinuance of the aforesaid building, and the erection of a modern and well-equipped structure in place thereof.

Petitions from Brimmer School Association and from Samuel H. Wise *et als.*; new grammar school-house, Brimmer District.

GEORGE E. RICHARDSON, *President*,
ALFRED H. GILSON, D. D. S., *Secretary*.

April 14, 1903.

BOSTON, April, 1903.

To the School Committee of the City of Boston:

The undersigned graduates of the Brimmer School hereby petition your board in aid of the accompanying request of the Brimmer School Association that a new grammar school building be erected in place of the present building, and earnestly hope that it be granted in the immediate future.

SAMUEL H. WISE,
and sixteen others.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Massachusetts Emergency and Hygiene Association; yards of school-houses for playground purposes.

To the School Committee of Boston:

The Massachusetts Emergency and Hygiene Association respectfully asks permission to use, as playgrounds for little children, during the summer vacation of 1903, the yards of the school-houses named in the following list. Some portion of each building is desired for a storeroom for boys and materials. When convenient, the basement is preferred, but in some instances a room on the ground floor is necessary.

As there are now so many public playgrounds which are accessible to older toys, the Association intends to admit to the yards, if they are granted, only young children, and larger boys and girls having charge of babies. The yards desired are:

Parkman, Lawrence, } South Boston.
Dearborn, Phillips st., Ira Allen, Sherwin, } Roxbury District.
Lyman, Adams, } East Boston.
Hancock, Eliot, } North End.
Warren, Charlestown.

Very respectfully submitted,

ELLEN M. TOWER,
Chairman Committee on Playgrounds.

Referred to the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES COUNCIL BOSTON MASS. 21

In School Committee, April 28, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Gallivan and McDonald.

On motion of Mr. Casey, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments, confirmations and transfer of instructors, as presented at the last meeting.

Approval of appointments, confirmations and transfer of instructors, laid over.

The appointments, confirmations, and transfer were approved.

The following orders, laid over under the rule, at the last meeting, were successively read, and passed.

Ordered, That there be paid to John H. Crafts the sum of five dollars ($5) for care of the sidewalk of the vacant lot adjoining the Plummer School estate during the winter of 1902–03.

Payment to John H. Crafts. [See p. 155.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Cornelius A. Kenneally the sum of forty-four and $\frac{47}{100}$ dollars ($44.47) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Minot School-house from Mar. 8 to Mar. 31, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Cornelius A. Kenneally. [See p. 155.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Timothy C. Keleher the sum of eighteen and $\frac{67}{100}$ dollars ($18.67) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Wait School-house, and Wait Portable School-houses Nos. 86 and 87, from Mar. 27 to Apr. 3, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Timothy C. Keleher. [See p. 156.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Conrad J. Hermann the sum of thirty-two dollars ($32) for services ren-

Payment to Conrad J. Hermann. [See p. 156.]

dered by him as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house from Mar. 7 to Mar. 31, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Patrick F. Higgins. [See p. 157.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Patrick F. Higgins the sum of four and $\frac{13}{100}$ dollars ($4.13) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Weston-street School-house, and Weston-street Portable School-house, No. 28, from Mar. 30 to Mar. 31, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Lewis H. Dutton. [See p. 157.]

Ordered, That Lewis H. Dutton be paid at the rate of five dollars ($5) for each evening of actual service as Principal of the Hancock Educational Centre, to date from Apr. 3, 1903.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Mayor; communication from City Council; new grammar school-house, Forest Hills.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, April 13, 1903.

Ordered, That the School Committee, through His Honor the Mayor, be requested to recommend the erection of a grammar school in the Forest Hills District, Ward 23.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 16, came up concurred.

A true copy.

Attest:

JOHN T. PRIEST,
Assistant City Clerk.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, Apr. 23, 1903.

Referred to the School Committee, for such action as may be considered suitable.

PATRICK A. COLLINS,
Mayor.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

The following communication was received:

Communication from Schoolhouse Department; salaries of officers and subordinates.

CITY OF BOSTON,
SCHOOLHOUSE DEPARTMENT, Apr. 23, 1903.

To the School Committee, Boston Public Schools:

I am directed by the Schoolhouse Commissioners to reply to the following order passed by your Board under date of April 14, 1903:

"*Ordered*, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be, and hereby are, requested to furnish this Board a detailed statement of the salaries of all officers and subordinates in that department,

including those of inspectors on duty at the various schools now in process of construction."

In compliance with the above, I herewith submit a list of the officers, employees and their salaries.

OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.

Chargeable to Appropriation, Schoolhouse Department.

R. Clipston Sturgis, Chairman	$4,000	per	year.
John H. Colby, Commissioner	3,500	"	"
Frederic O. North, Commissioner	3,500	"	"
Horace B. Fisher, Secretary	3,000	"	"
Warren A. Cass, Clerk	1,800	"	"
George H. Grueby, Inspector	1,800	"	"
Otis S. Davenport, "	1,800	"	"
Joseph W. Hill, "	1,800	"	"
Joseph P. Butler, "	1,800	"	"
William P. O'Toole, "	1,800	"	"
Henry C. Pickering, Supt. of Construction	1,500	"	"
Emma L. Currier, Typewriter	3	"	day.
Frank Gibbons, Messenger	10	"	week.
Augusta L. Sheehan, Telephone Operator	9	"	"

Chargeable to Appropriation, Land and Buildings for Schools.

Daniel A. Casey, Clerk	$1,800	per	year.
Charles A. Brown, Draughtsman	2,000	"	"
John J. Driscoll, "	1,200	"	"
Irving M. Gilbert, "	1,200	"	"
Frank H. Rogers, "	75	"	month.
James H. Mahar, "	60	"	"
Henry H. Austin, Engineer	1,800	"	year.
John S. Humphreys, Transitman	85	"	month.
Gertrude C. Bayley, Typewriter	700	"	year.
Myer Cobe, Messenger	1,000	"	"
John M. Sullivan, Clerk of Works	4	"	day.

Yours very respectfully,

H. B. FISHER,
Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, the reading of the foregoing communication was dispensed with, and the communication placed on file.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Hancock District. — Mabel C. Higgins, assistant, Grammar School, Apr. 13, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Alice J. Sughrue, assistant, Kindergarten, Mar. 2, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments and confirmations, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Phillips District. — Anna J. Griffin, Boston, Primary School, from Apr. 13, 1903, to Apr. 21, 1903, inclusive.

Quincy District. — Azniv Beshgeturian, Boston, Primary School, from Apr. 15, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Mechanic Arts High School. — Josephine M. Curry, Boston, assistant instructor, from May 4, 1903.

Adams District. — Christine H. Hamilton, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Apr. 13, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Annie G. Hughes, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 17, 1903.

Phillips District. — Alice McGillicuddy, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 13, 1903 to Apr. 21, 1903, inclusive; Idabel F. Butler, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 23, 1903.

Quincy District. — Mary Burkhardt, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 22, 1903.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Bowdoin District. — Ida E. Malaney, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from May 27, 1903.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Ida M. Mayers, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from June 1, 1903.

Mather District. — Genevra M. Pennoyer, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from May 25, 1903.

Approved.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmations.

Adams District. — Charlotte L. Voigt, first assistant, Grammar School.

Bowditch District. — Ella F. Jordan, assistant, Grammar School.

Christopher Gibson District. — Ellen K. Eichorn, assistant, Primary School.

Comins District. — Linna E. Clark, assistant, Primary School.

Dearborn District. — Helen R. Campbell, assistant, Primary School.

Dillaway District — Annie E. McCormick, assistant, Primary School.

Everett District. — Nellie G. Kelley, assistant, Primary School.

Franklin District. — Emma F. Jenkins, assistant, Grammar School.

Hancock District. — Mary C. Brine, assistant, Grammar School.

Hyde District. — Annie G. Flaherty, assistant, Primary School.

Phillips Brooks District. — Edith N. Connor, assistant, Primary School.

Modern Languages. — Camille Ried, assistant instructor.

Instructor of Sewing. — Ellen E. Phalan.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teachers for the

terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:

Brighton High School. — Lucy W. Warren, assistant, from Mar. 2, 1903, until May 4, 1903; Abby M. Fitz, Watertown, substitute.

Roxbury High School. — Persis P. Drake, assistant, from Mar. 26, 1903, until June 1, 1903; Mary W. Brigham, Boston, substitute.

Bowditch District. — Elsie R. Cowdrey, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Margaret L. Toole, Boston, substitute.

Christopher Gibson District. — Katharine C. Kelley, Boston, substitute for Rose E. A. Redding, assistant, Primary School, granted leave of absence.

Dudley District. — Frances Zirngiebel, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 14, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Edward F. O'Dowd, Boston, substitute. L. Adelaide Colligan, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Annie C. Lamb, Boston, substitute. Kate F. Crosby, assistant, Kindergarten, from Apr. 13, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Anna H. Prentiss, Boston, substitute.

Dwight District. — Emma A. Child, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Charles E. Quirk, Boston, substitute.

Emerson District. — Ethel C. Brown, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 13, 1903, until June 12, 1903; Helen M. Horton, Boston, substitute.

Franklin District. — Henrietta H. McKenna, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 13, 1903, until May 30, 1903; Elvira L. Austin, Boston, substitute.

Gaston District. — Clara A. Sharp, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 13, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Mae H. Bromley, Boston, substitute.

John A. Andrew District. — Annie M. Driscoll, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 10, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Florence J. Preston, Everett, substitute.

Lawrence District. — Maud A. Gleason, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 19, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Marcella F. Dowd, Boston, substitute.

Mary Hemenway District. — Martha E. Lang, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 13, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Alice F. Connell, Boston, substitute. Sophia W. French, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 13, 1903, until May 11, 1903; Lizzie G. Perry, Boston, substitute.

Prince District. — Katherine C. Martin, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 26, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Mary Nicolson, Boston, substitute.

Quincy District. — Margaret C. Donovan, Boston, substitute for Blanche F. Harrington, assistant, Primary School, granted leave of absence.

Rice Training School. — Alice M. May, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 13, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Alice A. Sanborn, Boston, substitute.

Winthrop District. — Mary L. H. Gerry, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 26, 1903, until May 1, 1903; Martha E. Tracy, Boston, substitute.

The following appointment, made by the Superintendent, and accompanied by a written statement by him of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto, was presented for approval:

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Emerson District. — Lucy A. O'Brien, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 13, 1903. Temporary teacher.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointment, and the appointment was placed on file. Rules suspended.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 64 minors to be licensed as newsboys, and of 8 to be licensed as bootblacks. Minors' licenses.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the licenses of 4 minors to sell newspapers for having violated the conditions on which said licenses were granted them.

Approved.

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, offered the following:

Annual appropriation order for maintenance of public schools.

Ordered, That the Board of Assessors be notified that the School Committee have appropriated under Chapter 400 of the Acts of 1898 as amended by Chapter 448 of the Acts of 1901, and under Chapter 170 of the Acts of 1903, the sum of $3,597,214 for the support of the public schools for the present financial year. Of this amount, $3,505,586.71 should be included by their Board in the total amount to be raised by taxation, the balance, $91,627.29, to be obtained from the following-named sources: Estimated income to be received during the year ($45,000), excess of income in 1902–03 over the amount estimated ($6,732.04), and the unexpended balance at the close of the financial year 1902–03 ($39,895.25).

Mr. Paine moved that the order be laid on the table, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Mulvey, Paine, Storrow, and Vogel — 13.

Nays: Mr. Casey, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Merritt, Pierce — 8.

Absent or not voting: Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Gallivan and McDonald.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Paine, the amendment offered by him at the meeting of Apr. 14 to the annual appropriation order, appropriating the sum of $399,411.62 for new school buildings and lands (see Minutes, page 152), was taken from the table.

The Chair ruled that the aforesaid amendment could not be entertained, inasmuch as the Board had taken final action on the order affected by the amendment, but that a new order making such an appropriation could be considered.

Mr. Ernst offered the following:

Appropriation for constructing and furnishing new school buildings.

Ordered, That in addition to the amounts already appropriated by this Board for current expenses, there be appropriated the sum of $399,411.62 for constructing and furnishing new school buildings, including the taking of land therefor, and for school yards, and the preparing of school yards for use, said sum being the total amount which the School Committee is authorized under the statute to appropriate for additional accommodations, at the rate of forty cents on each thousand dollars of the average valuation, less the $60,000 appropriated for current expenses under Chapter 170 of the Acts of 1903.

Mr. Pierce moved that the foregoing order be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair ruled that the order offered by Mr. Ernst must, under the rules, be referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Subsequently, Mr. Ellis moved a suspension of the rule requiring reference of the aforesaid order to the Committee on Accounts, in order to permit immediate action thereon.

The motion to suspend the rules was lost, and the order was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Pierce moved that the order previously offered by him notifying the Board of Assessors of the passage of the annual appropriation order by the School Committee be taken from the table. (See Minutes, page 168.)

On motion of Mr. Paine, the yeas and nays were ordered on said motion.

Mr. Pierce's motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Merritt, and Pierce — 7.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Mulvey, Paine, Storrow, and Vogel — 15.

Absent: Messrs. Gallivan and McDonald.

Report of Committee on Accounts; exhibit of Boston schools at Louisiana Purchase Exposition. [See pp. 22, 23.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — Jan. 16 — an order that they be requested to include in their annual appropriation order for the ensuing financial year a suitable amount to cover the expense of an exhibit of the work of the public schools of the city to be made at the city of St. Louis during the year 1904, reported that they have considered the matter and are of the opinion that it is inexpedient to make the appropriation requested. The committee recommend, therefore, that the order be not passed.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Report of Committee on School Houses; appointment and transfer of janitors.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, reported, for the approval of the Board, the following appointment and transfer:

JANITORS.

Appointment.

Oak-street School-house. — Ernest R. Williams, to date from Apr. 19, 1903.

Approved.

Transfer.

Parkman School-house. — Thomas M. Hogan, to the same position in the Cyrus Alger School-house, to date from May 1, 1903.

Approved.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be requested to have Northampton street, in front of the Everett School-house, asphalted.

Asphalting of Northampton street in front of Everett School-house.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following:

Ordered, That the June admission examinations to the Latin and High Schools be held this year as follows: Latin Schools, Saturday, June 13; High Schools, Friday and Saturday, June 12 and 13.

Dates of June admission examinations, Latin and High Schools.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Vogel, for the same committee, who were requested — Feb. 24. — to consider and report upon the advisability of formulating rules for the conduct of school athletics, reported that they have given this matter a good deal of attention and finding it of considerable importance they have, as yet, been unable to arrive at a satisfactory decision with regard to it, and therefore recommend that they be allowed further time.

Report of Committee on High Schools; rules for conduct of school athletics. [See pp. 81, 82.]

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to William Swanzey the sum of thirty-nine dollars ($39) for additional services required of him on account of classes of the Eliot Evening School accommodated in the Ware School-house during the past term.

Payment to William Swanzey.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Michael B. Sliney the sum of ten dollars ($10) for the general care of the sidewalk of the Leon-street School-house during the winter of 1902–03.

Payment to Michael B. Sliney

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Charles D. Gallagher.

Ordered, That there be paid to Charles D. Gallagher the sum of eighty-two and $\frac{47}{100}$ dollars ($82.47) for additional services rendered by him as janitor of the Wells Evening School during the term 1902–03.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Patrick J. Downey.

Ordered, That there be paid to Patrick J. Downey the sum of two dollars ($2) for additional services required of him in connection with the graduating exercises of the Norcross Evening School on Mar. 20, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to James Dickie.

Ordered, That there be paid to James Dickie the sum of seven dollars ($7) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Cyrus Alger School-house from Apr. 9 to Apr. 11, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Michael J. Crowley.

Ordered, That there be paid to Michael J. Crowley the sum of thirty dollars ($30) for additional services rendered by him as janitor of the Franklin Evening School during the term 1902–03.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Patrick M. Connolly.

Ordered, That there be paid to Patrick M. Connolly the sum of eighty-five and $\frac{54}{100}$ dollars ($85.54) for additional services rendered by him as janitor of the Eliot Evening School during the term 1902–03.

Laid over, under the rule.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings are hereby authorized to award certificates for regular and punctual attendance, good deportment, and general proficiency, to pupils in the Educational Centres at the close of the term.

Certificates of proficiency awarded Educational Centres.

Mr. Kenny, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, reported the death of Mary E. T. Shine, late assistant, primary school, in the Lawrence District, which occurred Apr. 16, 1903.

Report of Committee on Sixth Division; death of Mary E. T. Shine.

Accepted.

Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books, to whom were referred from the files of last year, an order instructing them to recommend the adoption by this Board of only such text, reference, and supplementary books, excepting foreign publications, as bear the label of the Allied Printing Trades Council; and — Feb. 10 — a communication from the Common Council substantially to the same effect, reported that they have given this matter very careful consideration, including a hearing of interested parties, and are of the opinion that it is not expedient to take such action for several reasons. The adoption of such a policy would in effect restrict the field of choice for books to be added to the authorized list, and would result in a large expenditure for new books bearing the required label which the funds available for the purchase of such material would not be sufficient to meet. Furthermore, in the opinion of your committee, there is a serious question as to the right of this Board to limit the selection of books by the adoption of a rule that would practically delegate a portion of the powers conferred upon it, and it alone, by the laws of the Commonwealth to another organization. For these and other reasons that might be adduced, your committee

Report of Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books; label of Allied Printing Trades Council on school books. [pp. 53, 54.]

recommend that it is not expedient to take the action suggested, and they further recommend that a copy of this report be respectfully transmitted to the Common Council for its information.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, the yeas and nays were ordered on the acceptance of the foregoing report.

The report was accepted and adopted by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Kenny, Keough, Merritt, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 16.

Nays: Mr. Casey, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Mulvey, and Paine — 6.

Absent: Messrs. Gallivan and McDonald.

Mr. Ernst offered the following:

Supervision and control of vacation schools and playgrounds by Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings.

Ordered, That the duties and powers of the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings be extended to include the general supervision and control of such vacation schools and playgrounds as may be maintained by this Board during the summer vacation; and said committee are hereby authorized on behalf of this Board to approve such appointments of instructors in said schools as may be made by the Superintendent after the final meeting of the Board in June next ensuing.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, offered the following:

Oversight and control of school premises during summer.

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings are hereby given the general oversight and control of school premises, with respect to vacation school or playground purposes during the ensuing summer, with authority to permit the use thereof for said purposes under the auspices of individuals, associations or clubs, as they may deem expedient; to make such regulations for the care and protection of

school property as they may consider necessary, and to terminate such occupancy at pleasure.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to consider and report upon the expediency of complying with a request from the Board of Trustees for Children that the House of Reformation on Rainsford Island be placed on the same footing with respect to supervision by the Board of Supervisors as the Parental School.

House of Reformation, Rainsford Island, under supervision of Board of Supervisors.

The Chair, in pursuance of the order passed Mar. 24, that a committee of five be appointed to co-operate with committees of other organizations in preparing for the meeting of the National Educational Association to be held in Boston in the coming summer, and to represent the Boston School Board on that occasion, announced the following committee:

Appointment of Committee on meeting of National Educational Association. [See p. 125.]

Frank Vogel, *Chairman;* Messrs. Casey, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, and Mr. Mulvey.

Approved.

On motion of Mrs. Duff, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be requested to consider means by which a sum sufficient to cover the expense of the usual school festival may be provided, and to report upon the same at the next meeting of the Board.

Sum to be provided for annual school festival.

On motion of Mr. Keenan, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON MASS. 21

In School Committee, May 12, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments and confirmations of instructors, as presented at the last meeting.

Approval of appointments and confirmations laid over.

The appointments and confirmations were approved.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

Ordered, That there be paid to William Swanzey the sum of thirty-nine dollars ($39) for additional services required of him on account of classes of the Eliot Evening School, accommodated in the Ware School-house during the past term.

Payment to William Swanzey. [See p. 171.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Michael B. Sliney the sum of ten dollars ($10) for the general care of the sidewalk of the Leon-street School-house during the winter of 1902–03.

Payment to Michael B. Sliney. [See p. 171.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Charles D. Gallagher the sum of eighty-two and $\frac{47}{100}$ dollars ($82.47) for additional services rendered by him as janitor of the Wells Evening School during the term 1902–03.

Payment to Charles D. Gallagher. [See p. 172.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Patrick J. Downey the sum of two dollars ($2) for additional services required of him in connection with the graduating exercises of the Norcross Evening School on Mar. 20, 1903.

Payment to Patrick J. Downey. [See p. 172.]

Payment to James Dickie. [See p. 172.]

Ordered, That there be paid to James Dickie the sum of seven dollars ($7) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Cyrus Alger School-house from Apr. 9 to Apr. 11, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Michael J. Crowley. [See p. 172.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Michael J. Crowley the sum of thirty dollars ($30) for additional services rendered by him as janitor of the Franklin Evening School during the term 1902–03.

Payment to Patrick M. Connolly. [See p. 172.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Patrick M. Connolly the sum of eighty-five and $\frac{54}{100}$ dollars ($85.54) for additional services rendered by him as janitor of the Eliot Evening School during the term 1902–03.

The following communication was read:

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN COMMON COUNCIL, May 7, 1903.

Communication from City Council; land adjoining Plummer School as playstead.

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to put the piece of land adjoining the Plummer School on Sumner st., Ward 2, in proper shape for a playstead for the scholars attending said school; the cost to be charged to the appropriation for schools.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, May 7, 1903.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

ARTHUR W. DOLAN,
President.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, May 8, 1903.

Referred to the School Committee, for such action as may be considered best.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

The following communication was read:

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, May 4, 1903.

Communication from City Council; acceptance of legacy for Horace Mann School.

Ordered, That the legacy of one thousand dollars ($1,000) left to the Horace Mann School for the Deaf in Boston by the late Elizabeth Lewis, be and hereby is accepted; and that the City Treasurer be authorized, on behalf of the City, to receive and receipt for the said legacy, and to invest and reinvest said sum

as a permanent fund, the income from said fund to be used for the benefit of the Horace Mann School for the Deaf.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 7 came up concurred. Approved by the Acting Mayor May 8, 1903.

A true copy.

Attest:

JOHN T. PRIEST,
Asst. City Clerk.

Placed on file.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Wells District. — Schassa G. Row, assistant, Grammar School, Apr. 1, 1903.

Permanent substitute. — Azniv Beshgeturian, Apr. 15, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Dillaway District. — Alice Neilan, Boston, Primary School, from May 4, 1903.

Roger Wolcott District. — Mary T. Lyons, Boston, Primary School, from May 6, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Temporary teacher.

Comins District. — Grace V. Lynch, Boston, first assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 27, 1903.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Brimmer District. — Grace F. Gardner, Hanover, assistant, Grammar School, third year, from Mar. 30, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:

Brighton High School. — Eleanor J. O'Brien, special teacher of physical training, from Apr. 21, 1903, until May 18, 1903; Mary F. Stratton, Boston, substitute.

Adams District. — Clara Robbins, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 15, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Mary A. Maclean, Boston, substitute.

Bowditch District. — Nellie I. Lapham, assistant, Grammar School, from May 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Lillian C. Burbank, Boston, substitute.

Bowdoin District. — Sarah E. Brown, assistant, Primary School, from May 4, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Charlotte E. Romer, Boston, substitute.

Charles Sumner District. — Bertha L. Palmer, assistant, Grammar School, from May 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Mary J. Haggerty, Boston, substitute.

Hancock District. — Gertrude F. Buckley, assistant, Grammar School, from May 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Mary L. Sullivan, Boston, substitute.

Lewis District. — Martha C. Gerry, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 13, 1903, until May 31, 1903; Caroline M. Sproul, Boston, substitute.

Mary Hemenway District. — Sophia W. French, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 13, 1903, until May 25, 1903; Lizzie G. Perry, Boston, substitute. Mabelle M. Winslow, principal, Kindergarten, from May 25, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Clara Ransom, Medford, substitute.

Phillips Brooks District. — Mary W. Currier, assistant, Grammar School, from May 18, 1903, until June 19, 1903; Isabel E. Clark, Boston, substitute.

Quincy District. — Blanche F. Harrington, assistant, Grammar School, from May 15, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Margaret C. Donovan, Boston, substitute.

Roger Wolcott District. — Alice G. Meade, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 29, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Delia Condron, Boston, substitute.

Shurtleff District. — Alice C. Ryan, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903.

Instructor of Sewing. — Mary E. Jacobs, from Apr. 28, 1903, until June 19, 1903; Susan True, Cambridge, substitute.

Leaves of absence on half pay. Rules suspended.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teachers for the terms specified, on half pay, and their resignations were accepted to take effect Sept. 1, 1904:

Girls' High School. — Harriet E. Caryl, assistant principal, Helen A. Gardner, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1903, until Sept. 1, 1904.

Dearborn District. — Louise D. Gage, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 1, 1903, until Sept. 1, 1904.

Lawrence District. — Mary A. Montague, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 1, 1903, until Sept. 1, 1904.

The Superintendent presented the following request for leave of absence:

Leave of absence to William T. Strong.

English High School. — William T. Strong, master, during the school year 1903–1904.

Referred to the Committee on High Schools.

Designation of a sub-master to take charge of a district.

The Superintendent reported that he had designated Jonathan I. Buck, one of the sub-masters of the Lincoln School, to take charge of said school during the illness of William E. Perry, master, on May 1, 1903.

Accepted.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRE.

Educational Centre.

The appointment of the candidate named below as teacher in an Educational Centre for the season of

1902–1903, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, was presented for the approval of the Board.

Bigelow Educational Centre. — Anastasia Gannon, from Mar. 24, 1903, to Apr. 2, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Minors' licenses.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 76 minors to be licensed as newsboys, of 3 to be licensed as bootblacks, and of 1 to be licensed as a pedler of small wares.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The following communication was received.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
May 8, 1903.

To the School Committee, Boston, Mass.:

Report of Board of Supervisors on proposed three-years' course, Normal School. [See pp. 85, 86.]

The Board of Supervisors has considered the question of the Normal School course referred to it March 10. The individual members of the Board do not agree as to some of the details, but the Board has come to the conclusion that an extension of the course would tend to improve existing conditions. On the main features of the proposed reorganization of the Normal School, it is the opinion of the Board:

1. That a three-years' course of study in the Normal School should be adopted on trial.

2. (*a*) That training teachers should be appointed for the purpose and under the conditions described in the proposed amendment to Sect. 289, and that it is essential to the success of the plan that these teachers receive extra pay for their services.

(*b*) That it is desirable that the pupil-teachers, including those in the kindergartens, should be paid for their services. The Board therefore approves of the proposed amendments which make Sects. 289 and 290 read as follows:

SECT. 289. The Superintendent shall, after consultation with the principals of schools, appoint a sufficient number of teachers in the grammar and primary schools to act as training teachers. Each of these training teachers shall

be given charge of two classes of pupils of such grade or grades as the Superintendent shall direct. The teaching of these classes shall be performed by pupil-teachers under the constant direction and guidance of the training teachers.

The head-master of the Normal School shall send the pupils of the third-year class to serve as pupil-teachers, one-half of the class for the first half of the school year, and the other half of the class for the second half of the year.

It shall be the duty of the training teachers to give careful and constant supervision to the work of the pupil-teachers, to hold conferences with them regularly for the purposes of suggestion, criticism, and planning of the school work, and in general to see that the pupil-teachers receive as thorough a training in the art of teaching as the conditions allow. The training teachers shall be responsible, in the same manner and to the same extent as are all other teachers, for the good conduct and progress of the classes under their charge. They shall make a report to the head-master of the Normal School upon the work of the pupil-teachers in such form and at such times as shall be approved by the Superintendent.

For this work the training teachers shall receive, in addition to their regular salary, a certain sum per year, and the pupil-teachers a certain sum per week, to be fixed by the Board annually, in the month of June.

The Supervisors shall, under the direction of the Superintendent, visit the pupil-teachers, and make a written report to him of the teaching and governing ability of each pupil-teacher visited.

The Superintendent may, at any time, return to the Normal School, for further study, any pupil teacher whose work is unsatisfactory. He may fill any vacancy in the position of pupil-teacher by appointment from those holding a grammar-school Class B certificate.

SECT. 290. The Superintendent shall, after consultation with the director of kindergartens, designate each year a sufficient number of kindergartens in which members of the senior class of the Normal School may receive special training in the practice of the kindergarten. The head-master of the Normal School shall send the pupils of the third-year kindergarten class to serve as pupil-teachers in the kindergartens so designated for the whole of their senior year. Their assignments may be changed in the middle of the year, and at other times upon recommendation of the director of kindergartens and approval of the Superintendent.

The principals of kindergartens, in which pupil-teachers are at work, shall make a report to the head-master of the Normal School upon the work of the pupil-teacher in such form and at such times as shall be approved by the Superintendent.

During their service in the kindergartens, the pupil-teachers shall receive the pay of special assistants in kindergartens.

The director of kindergartens shall, under the direction of the Superintendent, visit the pupil-teachers and make a written report to him of the teaching ability of each pupil-teacher visited.

The Superintendent may, at any time, return to the Normal School for further study any pupil-teacher whose work is unsatisfactory.

3. That Section 291 of the Regulations which specifies the course of study in the Normal School is unnecessary, and should be omitted. The course of study for the Normal School should be published in the same form as other courses of study are published, *i.e.*, as a school document.

With reference to the minor items, it is the opinion of the Board:

4. That the qualifications for admission to the Normal School should be as stated in the proposed amendment to Sect. 281, which reads as follows:

SECT. 281. Candidates for admission must be at least eighteen years of age, unless an exception is made by the Board of Supervisors upon good cause shown, and have good health and a good moral character. They must have completed a four-years' course of study in a Boston High School, or an equivalent course of study. As an additional prerequisite for admission, a special examination shall be held on the third Saturday and preceding Friday of June in each year by the Board of Supervisors for graduates of the Boston High Schools, and for other candidates a special examination of as high degree shall be held by the Board of Supervisors on the second Wednesday and following Thursday in September. Graduates of a university or college, or of a State Normal School, approved by the Board of Supervisors, may be admitted to the school without examination, and, if they prove to be qualified, may be admitted to the senior class, and may take the kindergarten course or any of the other optional courses in one year. Pupils shall be admitted to this school for

the regular and special courses only at the beginning of a school year. All pupils shall be put on probation, and as soon as, in the opinion of the Board of Supervisors, they prove unsuitable for this school, shall be discharged.

5. That Section 282 should read as follows:

SECT. 282. Pupils who fail of promotion or graduation may join the following class; but no pupil shall repeat the work of any year more than once.

6. That the time of examination for the admission to the Normal School of those who are not graduates of the Boston High Schools is already provided for in Section 281. The second paragraph of Section 285 should therefore be stricken out.

7. That Section 286 should read as follows:

SECT. 286. The head-master shall annually issue a catalogue of the school, which shall be sent to the members of the School Committee, the Board of Supervisors, and the principals of schools.

8. That it is inadvisable to have the Normal teachers visit the Normal graduates after the appointment of the latter to positions in the schools, and that Section 287 should therefore be stricken out.

9. That the amount of time given to observation should be modified as provided in the proposed amendment to Section 288, which reads as follows:

SECT. 288. The Superintendent shall, in the month of September of each year, designate a sufficient number of the teachers in the public schools — the number to be not less than fifty — to whom the pupils of the Normal School may be sent for observation and practice in teaching. The head-master may send the Normal pupils into the rooms of these teachers for observation and practice in teaching, under his direction, four weeks during the second term, four weeks during the third term, and four weeks during the fourth term; and he may send them, under proper guidance, to study the Museums of Natural History and Fine Arts, and important manufacturing industries. The principals of schools in which the Normal pupils observe and practice, shall report to the head-master, in writing, their opinion of the teaching and governing ability of such pupils. Pupils who take the kindergarten course shall be required to observe and practice in grammar and primary schools only eight weeks. Other needed obervations shall be made in the kindergartens.

10. That the Board approves of the amendments to Sects. 147 and 169, which provides for two masters, and is further of the opinion that it is desirable to have more than two masters in the Normal School, if possible.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN P. SEAVER,
Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

The reading of the foregoing was dispensed with, and it was referred to the Committee on the Normal School.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Harkins, the communication was read.

Report of Committee on Accounts; sum to be provided for Annual School Festival.

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — Apr. 28 — an order that they consider means by which a sum sufficient to cover the expense of the usual festival may be provided, reported that they have given the matter careful consideration, and that a majority of the committee are of the opinion that the several amounts making up the item of Supplies and Incidentals in the annual appropriation bill can be curtailed sufficiently to admit of the festival being held. The committee recommend, therefore, the passage of the following order, Messrs. Brock and Ernst dissenting:

Ordered, That the sum of three thousand dollars ($3,000) be authorized to cover the expenses of the Annual School Festival, said expenses to be charged to the item Supplies and Incidentals in the appropriation bill for 1903–04.

The report was accepted.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, the rules were suspended to permit immediate action on the order.

Mr. Brett moved that the order be amended by striking out the words "Annual School Festival" and inserting in place thereof the words: — Vacation Schools, — and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered.

The motion to amend was lost by the following vote:

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brett, Cushing, Paine, and Storrow — 5. Yeas and nays.

Nays: Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Pierce, and Vogel — 19.

The question came on the passage of the order.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, the yeas and nays were ordered.

The order was lost by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, and Pierce — 10. Yeas and nays.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Kenny, Keough, Paine, Storrow, and Vogel — 14.

Mr. Ernst, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order that the Committee on Vacation Schools and the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings be united into one standing committee of the School Board, reported that in their opinion it is inexpedient to take such action at present, especially in view of the fact that by recent action of the Board, the Vacation Schools to be maintained during the coming summer have been placed under the charge of the Committee on Extended Use of Buildings. Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; Committees on Vacation Schoools and Extended Use of School Buildings to be united into one standing committee.

Accepted.

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, presented the following:

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — Apr. 14 — the communication of the Secretary as to the number of times fire-alarm signals have been given by the principals of the various school districts during the year 1902–03, beg leave to report as follows: Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; communication from Secretary regarding fire-alarm signals. [See pp. 128, 129.]

Section 197 of the Regulations is positive in its provision that "the fire-alarm signal *shall* be given at least once each month from September to April," yet it appears from the Secretary's

statistics, and the replies of the various masters that, while the rule is observed both in the spirit and in the letter in some schools, it is systematically ignored in a large number of schools.

The replies of the masters make extremely interesting reading. In some instances no defence is attempted or explanation made, one master contenting himself with the laconic reply, "The fire-alarm signal has not been sounded in this school during the present school year." Another says, "The signal has not been given in this school but twice, both times during the month of March *and after the order presented to the School Committee.*" Another says, "It has not been given here for six or eight years," and alleges as a reason that at some time somebody told his predecessor that the rule need not be observed in that building.

Some are frank enough to express regret. One says, "I regret that it was neglected, for that is the proper word to use in the case." Another, "A feeling of confidence in our facilities for escape may have encouraged my neglect of duty, but I do not offer it as an excuse." Another, "There is no excuse for my negligence." Another, "I wish to apologize for my disregard of this section."

Some make excuses, which only serve to emphasize the neglect. The claim is made by some that in their buildings there are not adequate facilities for giving the alarm. In such a case it is clearly the master's duty to bring the matter to the attention of the proper authorities, and to persist until the facilities are provided. A failure to do so would seem in itself to be neglect. Some claim that the regular school dismissal is an equivalent, and all that is necessary; some that the signal only serves "to arouse and excite the pupils." One substitutes the title "quick exit" for the title "fire-alarm signal," saying "the fire alarm has a terrifying effect upon some children, and to *all* suggests the greatest possible haste and a rush. Therefore we say 'quick exit.'"

It is to guard against this "terrifying effect" of the word fire that the rule is made. Children should grow accustomed to the word, so that they may not become panic stricken at its sound, and that there may be no "rush" or excitement in leaving the building. Harm is even more liable to come from a panic than from the fire itself. The signal should be known as the fire-alarm signal, and nothing else. It should be given frequently and at irregular and unexpected intervals, and, as the rule requires, the pupils should be so trained that when the signal is given they will not be terrified, but "will leave the school-house in order."

The committee believe that the rule is a wise one and should be observed. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following order:

Ordered, That the attention of the Superintendent is hereby called to the long-continued neglect in many schools of the por-

visions of Section 197 of the Regulations relating to the giving of fire-alarm signals, and he is directed to see that the same hereafter are rigidly enforced in all schools where there are adequate facilities for that purpose, and where there are not adequate facilities to report that fact to the Schoolhouse Department or to this Board, with his recommendations.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations: enforcement of rules affecting instructors.

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order that the Rules and Regulations be amended so as to provide that it shall be the duty of the Board of Supervisors to see that the Rules and Regulations and the orders of the Board affecting instructors are strictly enforced; to reprimand officially, or to suspend any instructor for a limited period when occasion demands, reported that they have given this matter long and careful consideration. Your committee referred this matter to the Board of Supervisors, who gave their opinion that some action of the kind was desirable, but that the authority which the order proposes to confer upon the Board of Supervisors should more properly rest in the Superintendent. In this your committee concur; they therefore recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows:

SECT. 58. Insert the following immediately after the word "executed," in the sixth line: — He may reprimand or suspend, with or without pay, for a period not exceeding one month, any instructor for due cause, and shall keep a record of all such cases, with the reasons for his action thereon, which shall be open to inspection by members of the Board, so that the section shall read as follows:

SECT. 58. The Superintendent shall be the executive officer of the School Board in all matters relating to instruction. He shall see that all Regulations of the Public Schools and all orders of the School Committee concerning the supervision, instruction, and management of the schools are executed. He may reprimand or suspend, with or without pay, for a period not exceeding one month, any instructor for due cause, and shall keep a record of all such cases, with the reasons for his action thereon, which shall be open to inspection by members of the Board. He may

appoint such clerical assistants as shall be necessary, subject to the approval of the Board.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Payment to Nellie E. Aldrich.

Ordered, That there be paid to Nellie E. Aldrich the sum of fifteen dollars ($15) for services as janitor of the office occupied by the Truant Officers during the months of January, February, and March, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Frank P. Bartlett.

Ordered, That there be paid to Frank P. Bartlett the sum of nineteen and $\frac{68}{100}$ dollars ($19.68) for washing the windows of the Minot School-house during the April vacation.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Henry F. Beverstock.

Ordered, That there be paid to Henry F. Beverstock, the sum of fourteen and $\frac{40}{100}$ dollars ($14.40) for additional cleaning of the Freeman School-house during the month of April, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to George F. J. Finn.

Ordered, That there be paid to George F. J. Finn the sum of sixteen and $\frac{33}{100}$ dollars ($16.33) for services as acting janitor of the Cyrus Alger School-house from Apr. 12 to Apr. 18, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Charles L. Glidden.

Ordered, That there be paid to Charles L. Glidden the sum of twenty-six dollars ($26) for additional services rendered by him as janitor of the Lyman Evening School during the term 1902–03.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to John Murphy, janitor of the Girls' High School-house, the sum of five dollars ($5) for extra services rendered by him in connection with the teachers' examinations held in that building Apr. 24 and 25, 1903. Payment to John Murphy.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Jeremiah Shaw the sum of two and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($2.50) for services as acting janitor of the Oak-square School-house from Apr. 16 to Apr. 18, 1903, inclusive. Payment to Jeremiah Shaw.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Foster M. Spurr the sum of twenty-eight dollars ($28) for services as acting janitor of the Wait School-house and Wait Portables Nos. 86 and 87, from Apr. 4 to Apr. 15, 1903, inclusive, and the further sum of seven and $\frac{20}{100}$ dollars ($7.20) for washing the windows of the Wait School-house. Payment to Foster M. Spurr.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Martin H. Tirrell the sum of twenty-eight dollars ($28) for services as acting janitor of the Cyrus Alger School-house from Apr. 19 to Apr. 30, 1903, inclusive. Payment to Martin H. Tirrell.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Martin H. Tirrell the sum of thirty-one dollars ($31) for services as acting Payment to Martin H. Tirrell.

janitor of the Weston-street School-house and Weston-street Portable No. 28, from Apr. 1 to Apr. 15, 1903, inclusive, and the further sum of fifteen dollars ($15) for washing the windows of the Weston-street School-house.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Paine, for the Committee on the Normal School, offered the following:

Date of graduating exercises, Normal School.

Ordered, That the graduating exercises of the Normal School may be held this year, at the discretion of the Committee on Normal School, during the week beginning Monday, June 15.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on School Houses; appointment and transfer of janitors.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, reported, for the approval of the Board, the following appointment and transfer:

JANITORS.

Appointment.

Quincy-street School-house (Mather District). — Frances Stanley, to date from May 16, 1903.

Transfer.

Quincy-street School-house (Mather District). — Carrie Sargent, to the same position in the Parkman School-house, to date from May 16, 1903.

Approved.

Report of Committee on School Houses; new grammar school-house, Forest Hills. [See p. 162.]

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Apr. 28 — a communication from the City Council, through His Honor the Mayor, suggesting the erection of a grammar school in the Forest Hills District, Ward 23, reported that the question of additional school accommodations in that district has lately been given quite extended consideration, the result of which has been the adoption by this Board of a recommenda-

tion to the Schoolhouse Commissioners that a four-room addition to the present Francis Parkman School-house be built, and a further suggestion on the part of your committee, that the plans for this addition be prepared with a view to a subsequent addition to the same building of two or more rooms and a hall, so that eventually this school-house may be fully adapted for grammar school purposes. Your committee therefore recommend that no action on the part of this Board on the communication referred is now necessary, and that a copy of this report be transmitted to the City Council, through His Honor the Mayor.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on Manual Training, offered the following:

Ordered, That a session of the Mechanic Arts High School be held on Saturday, May 23, 1903, as a special public day, and that the school be closed on the preceding Monday, May 18.

Special public day, Mechanic Arts High School.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Vogel, for the special Committee on the National Educational Association meeting, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Drawing and the Committee on Manual Training be authorized to prepare an exhibit of the work in drawing and manual training in the public schools of Boston, to be held respectively in the Public Latin School and the Mechanic Arts High School July 6–11, 1903, on the occasion of the meeting of the National Educational Association.

Exhibit of work in drawing and manual training of public schools.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings are hereby authorized to submit a report to this Board in print.

Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings to report in print.

Mr. Clark, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, offered the following:

Special assistant in music, Prince District.

Ordered, That the employment of a special assistant in music in the Prince District be authorized from Apr. 1, 1903, to the end of the present school year.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Harkins presented the following:

Petition for naming new grammar school-house, Columbia road, William E. Russell School.

The undersigned respectfully petition that the new grammar school building, Roger Clap District, Columbia road, Dorchester, be named the William E. Russell School.

WILLIAM F. MERRITT,
MARY A. DIERKES,
JAMES J. STORROW,
DANIEL S. HARKINS,
and forty-eight others.

Referred to the Committee on Names of Buildings.

Mr. Paine offered the following:

Proposed eight-grade course of study, primary and grammar schools.

Whereas, In an elaborate report in March, 1900, the Board of Supervisors unanimously recommended that "there should be eight grades instead of nine between the kindergarten and the high school", and

Whereas, The Superintendent, in his Annual Report of that year, referring to this proposal, states that "recent experience has proved that practically all the work of the six (grammar) grades can be done comfortably in five years by organizing the classes to that end"; and recites "the fact that Boston stands almost alone among the large cities of the country in maintaining nine grades below the high school, without apparently teaching any more subjects in those grades or securing any better educational results", and

Whereas, The Board of Supervisors has prepared a tentative course of study for an eight-grade course, be it therefore

Ordered, That the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books be requested to report to this Board whether the time is not opportune to inaugurate next

autumn this proposed eight-grade course and, if so, to submit their recommendations as to the manner in which it should be put in force, and whether it should apply at once to the whole city or should be tried first in certain sections or districts.

The order passed.

Mr. Paine offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to report such amendment to the Rules, or such order, as may be necessary to authorize the payment, subject to the approval of the Committee on School Houses and without reference to this Board for a special order, of all acting, substitute or temporary janitors, for services or for work performed, in accordance with the general rates of compensation fixed by the Committee on Salaries.

Committee on School Houses to approve payments to janitors.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Paine offered the following:

Ordered, That the fifth section of the Rules be amended by striking out in the second and third lines the words "the Committee on the Normal School, on High Schools, and".

Proposed amendment to Sect. 5 of Rules.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Keenan offered the following:

Ordered, That the sum of $3,000 be appropriated for the representation of Boston schools at St. Louis Exposition.

Appropriation for representation of schools at St. Louis Exposition.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Kenny offered the following:

Ordered, That one thousand copies of the Superintendent's Report for 1903, in addition to the usual number, be printed.

Additional copies Superintendent's Report for 1903, to be printed.

Laid over, under the rule.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

21 ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS.

In School Committee, May 26, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members.

On motion of Mr. Keough, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments of instructors, as presented at the last meeting.

Approval of appointments laid over.

The appointments were approved.

The following order took its second reading:

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows:

Amendment of Sect. 58 of Regulations; enforcement of rules affecting instructors. [See pp. 189, 190.]

Sect. 58. Insert the following immediately after the word "executed" in the sixth line: — He may reprimand or suspend, with or without pay, for a period not exceeding one month, any instructor for due cause, and shall keep a record of all such cases, with the reasons for his action thereon, which shall be open to inspection by members of the Board, — so that the section shall read as follows:

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On motion of Mrs. Duff, laid on the table.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

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Ordered, That there be paid to Nellie E. Aldrich the sum of fifteen dollars ($15) for services as janitor of the office occupied by the Truant Officers during the months of January, February, and March, 1903.

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janitor of the Cyrus Alger School-house from Apr. 19 to Apr. 30, 1903, inclusive.

Ordered, That there be paid to Martin H. Tirrell the sum of thirty-one dollars ($31) for services as acting janitor of the Weston-street School-house and Weston-street Portable No. 28 from Apr. 1 to Apr. 15, 1903, inclusive, and the further sum of fifteen dollars ($15) for washing the windows of the Weston-street School-house.

Payment to Martin H. Tirrell. [See p. 191.]

Ordered, That one thousand copies of the Superintendent's report for 1903, in addition to the usual number, be printed.

Additional copies Superintendent's Report of 1903, to be printed. [See p. 195.]

The following communication was read:

CITY OF BOSTON.
IN COMMON COUNCIL, May 21, 1903.

Communication from Common Council on abolishing annual school festival.

Resolved, That in the opinion of the Common Council it is the wish of the people of Boston that the time-honored custom of holding an Annual School Festival should not be abolished; and this Council hereby requests the School Committee to reconsider its action and make provision for the holding of the festival this year the same as in years past.

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Common Council be instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to the School Committee.

Passed unanimously in Common Council May 21, 1903.

A true copy.

Attest:

JOSEPH O'KANE,
Clerk of the Common Council.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

The following appointments and confirmations, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Robert G. Shaw District. — Katharine S. Haskell, Boston, Kindergarten, from May 21, 1903.

Special assistant.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Hancock District. — Mary E. Coveney, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 13, 1903; Ella M. Penn, Lowell, assistant, Kindergarten, from Mar. 9, 1903.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Caroline G. Tunis, Cambridge, assistant, Grammar School, from May 20, 1903.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Adams District. — Christine H. Hamilton, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from June 15, 1903; Mary E. Kennedy, Braintree, assistant, Kindergarten, from June 1, 1903.

Bowdoin District. — Bertha F. Drake, Reading, assistant, Kindergarten, from May 4, 1903.

Hancock District. — Mary E. Coveney, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from June 15, 1903; Ella M. Penn, Lowell, assistant, Kindergarten, from May 11, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Annie G. Hughes, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from June 18, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Girls' High School. — Frances H. Manny, Winchester, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmations.

Brimmer District. — John A. Russell, sub-master.

Chapman District. — Annie A. Warren, assistant, Kindergarten.

Franklin District. — Carrie M. Goulding, assistant, Grammar School.

Frothingham District. — Elizabeth L. McCarthy, assistant, Grammar School.

Gaston District. — Lila Huckins, assistant, Grammar School; Lillias Thomson, assistant, Primary School.

Gilbert Stuart District. — Della Prescott, assistant, Grammar School.

Lawrence District. — Clara G. Hinds, first assistant, Grammar School.

Mather District. — Grace E. Lingham, assistant, Grammar School.

Instructor of Sewing. — Mary F. Doherty.

Laid over, under the rule.

Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:

Brighton High School. — Eleanor J. O'Brien, special teacher of physical training, from May 18, 1903, until June 19, 1903; Mary F. Stratton, Boston, substitute.

Bennett District. — Jennie M. Chandler, Boston, substitute for Mabel L. Chapman, assistant, Grammar School, granted leave of absence.

Bowdoin District. — Catherine M. Dolan, assistant, Grammar School, from May 11, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Johanna J. O'Neil, Boston, substitute.

Emerson District. — Ellen S. Bloomfield, assistant, Grammar School, from June 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Sarah B. McGlinn, Boston, substitute.

Franklin District. — Emma F. Jenkins, assistant, Grammar School, from May 1, 1903, until June 12, 1903; Alice Nowland, Boston, substitute.

John A. Andrew District. — Agnes M. Cochran, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 27, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Anna M. Suhl, Boston, substitute. Mary E. Keohan, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 27, 1903, until June 1, 1903; Sara F. Hooper, Boston, substitute.

Mather District. — Lillian B. Blackmer, assistant, Primary School, from May 11, 1903, until June 19, 1903; Carrie M. Wellington, Boston, substitute.

Roger Wolcott District. — Ida T. Weeks, first assistant, Grammar School, from June 1, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Caroline M. Sproul, Boston, substitute.

Sherwin District. — Mary E. T. Healy, assistant, Grammar School, from May 12, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Ida M. Gilcrease, Boston, substitute.

Shurtleff District. — Lillian M. Hall, assistant, Primary School, from May 10, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Josephine L. Pickett, Boston, substitute.

The following appointments, made by the Superintendent, and accompanied by written statements by him of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto, were presented for approval:

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Eliot District.—Annie E. Regan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from June 1, 1903.

Emerson District.—Lucy A. O'Brien, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from June 15, 1903.

Harvard District.—Mary C. Leonard, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from June 15, 1903.

Rice Training School. — Emma C. McNamara, Cambridge, assistant, Grammar School, from June 15, 1903.

Rules suspended.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointments, and the appointments laid over, under the rule.

VACATION SCHOOLS.

Director of Vacation Schools.

The Superintendent presented the appointment of the following-named person for service in the place designated in the Vacation Schools during the year 1903:

Director.

Lewis H. Dutton, Winchester.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, the rules were suspended, and the appointment approved.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Minors' Licenses.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 47 minors to be licensed as newsboys, of 2 to be licensed as bootblacks, and of 4 to be licensed as pedlers of smallwares.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Board of Supervisors; course of study for Vacation Schools.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, May 22, 1903.

To the School Committee, Boston, Mass.:

In accordance with the request of the School Board, under date of Feb. 10, the Board of Supervisors has prepared the following course of study for the Vacation Schools, and recommends its adoption for the current year:

School studies:
- Any of the elementary studies for which there may be a reasonable demand.
- Kindergarten work.

Manual Training:
- Wood work.
- Iron work.
- Cardboard construction.
- Cooking.
- Sewing.
  - Dressmaking.
- Basketry:
  - Braiding, weaving.

Drawing and Color Work.

Nature Study and Field Work.
- Excursions in connection with geography, history, and the chief industries of out-door life.

Gymnastics.
- Games and other forms of physical exercise.

Music.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN P. SEAVER,
Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

Referred to the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books.

Leaves of absence to teachers of modern languages.

The Superintendent presented a petition from the teachers of modern languages in the public schools that provision be made to grant them, for the purposes of study abroad, leave of absence with half pay for one school year.

Referred to the Committee on High Schools.

Report of Committee on Accounts; appropriation for representation of schools at St. Louis Exposition. [See p. 195.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — May 12 — an order that the sum of $3,000 be appropriated for the representation of Boston schools at St. Louis Exposition, reported that they have considered the matter and received from the Corporation Counsel the following communication in relation thereto:

City of Boston, Law Department,
73 Tremont St., May 22, 1903.

Committee on Accounts of the School Committee of the City of Boston:

In reply to your request for my opinion as to "whether the School Committee, under the provisions of Chapter 448 of the Acts of 1901 authorizing the committee to make appropriations for the support of the public schools, or under any other authority, have the right to appropriate money for the representation of Boston schools at the St. Louis Exposition", I beg leave to say that in my opinion the committee has no authority to appropriate money for any such purpose.

Respectfully,
ANDREW J. BAILEY,
Corporation Counsel.

In accordance with the foregoing opinion, this committee report that the order ought not to pass.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salary due Martin P. Brown.

Ordered, That the salary due Martin P. Brown, deceased, late janitor of the Cyrus Alger School, be paid to his sister, Mary A. Brown, and amounting to $18.67.

Laid over, under the rule.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Pierce, the order passed, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary due Mary Wall, deceased, late principal of the Howard-avenue Kindergarten, be paid to Annie M. H. Gillespie, a grammar assistant in the Eliot School District, and amounting to $43.66. Salary due Mary Wall.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the amount paid by Alister L. Welt of Dedham, Mass., for tuition from Apr. 28, 1903, to July 1, 1903, of Elsie M. Welt, a non-resident pupil in the Boston Normal School, viz., nineteen dollars and thirty-eight cents ($19.38) be abated, said pupil having become a resident of this city Apr. 28, 1903. Abatement of tuition of Elsie M. Welt.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, to whom was referred — May 12 — an order that the employment of a special assistant in music in the Prince District be authorized from Apr. 1, 1903, to the end of the present school year, reported that they have given the matter careful consideration and are of the opinion that it is inexpedient to make the appointment requested. The committee recommend, therefore, that the order be not passed. Report of Committee on Accounts; special assistant in music, Prince District. [See p. 194.]

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, to whom was referred — May 12 — an order to the effect that the Committees on Drawing and Manual Training be authorized to prepare an exhibit of the work in drawing and manual training to be held July 6–11, 1903, reported that they have given the matter careful consideration, and recommend the passage of the following order: Report of Committee on Accounts; exhibit of work in drawing and manual training of public schools. [See p. 193.]

Ordered, That the Committee on Drawing and the Committee on Manual Training be authorized to prepare an exhibit of the work in drawing and manual training in the public schools of Boston, to be held respectively in the Public Latin School and the Mechanic Arts High School July 6–11, 1903, on the occasion of the meeting of the National Educational Association, at an expense not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100).

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the order was amended by inserting after the words "Mechanic Arts High School," in the (sixth) line, the words: — and such other schools as the Superintendent may approve.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Alice Hathaway.

Ordered, That there be paid to Alice Hathaway the sum of five dollars ($5) for services rendered as substitute in the Florence-street Kindergarten from Apr. 13 to 16, 1903, inclusive.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on Accounts; appropriation for constructing and furnishing new school buildings. [See p. 169.]

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Apr. 28 — an order that, in addition to the amounts already appropriated by this Board for current expenses, there be appropriated the sum of $399,411.62 for constructing and furnishing new school buildings, including the taking of land therefor, and for school yards, and the preparing of school yards for use, said sum being the total amount which the School Committee is authorized under the statute to appropriate for additional accommodations, at the rate of forty cents on each thousand dollars of the average valuation, less the $60,000 appropriated for current expenses under Chapter 170 of the Acts of 1903, reported that they have given the matter careful consideration and are of the

opinion that said appropriation should not be made. The committee recommend, therefore, that the order be not passed.

Mr. Pierce also presented the following minority report, signed by Mr. Brock and Mr. Ernst:

Minority report of Committee on Accounts; appropriation for constructing and furnishing new school buildings.

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on Accounts, dissent from the report of the majority of that committee for the following reasons:

The building of schools from borrowed money has been tried in the past and proved a failure. It seems to us both unfair and uneconomical.

The specious argument has been advanced that a school building will last a long time and that the cost ought to be spread over a number of years by means of a loan cared for by an annual sinking fund. This would be true if there was but one building to be erected in a generation, like a City Hall or a Public Library; but the growth of the school population is regular and unceasing, the average annual increase being about 2,500 scholars, who can only be housed by an annual increase in school accommodations, for which there must be a regular annual provision, either by loan or out of the current tax rate. If raised by loan, the amount must be paid eventually from taxes. If loans are regularly raised each year for the needs of each year, they will mature with equal regularity. The difference to the taxpayer will be that, if the current needs are paid out of the current tax rate, there will be no interest account running against him, while if he pays his just share of all the loans, he will have to pay in addition his share of the accruing interest on the loans. One of the largest items going to make up our tax rate is the annual interest on outstanding loans. Last year the item "interest on City Debt Proper" in the tax bill was $2,117,000. Of course this was not all for school loans, but a proportion of it was, and as the school loans increase the item of interest on that account will increase, all of which might be saved by paying for the regularly recurring needs for new school-houses as for other current needs, by a current annual tax.

This truth was recognized in 1901, and the Legislature, on petition of the School Board, with the assent of the then Mayor, authorized the School Board to appropriate each year for new school accommodations 40 cents on each $1,000 of tax valuation. The first vote under the act was taken in 1902, and the Board by a two-thirds majority made the appropriation. It was, however, vetoed by the Mayor, for reasons assigned by him in writing, with which, with all due respect, we cannot agree. The failure

of the appropriation last year makes an appropriation more difficult this year. A failure this year will establish a precedent which future School Boards will find it hard to overcome. We believe that the law should be either repealed or observed. No attempt has been made to repeal it. We therefore propose, so far as our votes and influence are concerned, to observe it.

Believing as we do, that the money is needed for the proper housing of the scholars in our schools, we recommend the adoption of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That in addition to the amounts already appropriated by this Board for current expenses, there be appropriated the sum of $399,411.62 for constructing and furnishing new school buildings, including the taking of land therefor, and for school yards, and the preparing of school yards for use, said sum being the total amount which the School Committee is authorized under the statute to appropriate for additional accommodations, at the rate of forty cents on each thousand dollars of the average valuation, less the $60,000 appropriated for current expenses under Chapter 170 of the Acts of 1903.

Mr. Brock moved that the minority report and order be substituted for the majority report.

The motion was declared lost.

Mr. Ernst doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered.

The motion to substitute was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Ernst, Mulvey, Paine, Storrow, and Vogel — 9.

Nays: Messrs. Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, and Pierce — 13.

Absent or not voting: Mr. Brett and Mrs. Duff.

Mr. Ernst offered the following order as a substitute for the report of the Committee on Accounts:

Appropriation for constructing and furnishing new school buildings.

Ordered, That the sum of $100,000 be appropriated for constructing and furnishing new school buildings, including the taking of land therefor and for school yards for use.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the whole matter was laid on the table.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, reported, for the approval of the Board the following appointment and transfer:

Report of Committee on School Houses; appointment and transfer of janitors.

JANITORS.

Appointment.

Walnut-street School-house. — Conrad J. Hermann, to date from May 22, 1903.

Approved.

Transfer.

Florence-street School-house. — John J. Mulligan, to the position of substitute or reserve janitor, to date from June 1, 1903.

Approved.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses are hereby authorized to expend an amount not exceeding two thousand six hundred dollars ($2,600) for washing the floors of the various school-houses during the summer vacation.

Expenditure for washing floors of school-houses during summer vacation.

Mr. Ernst, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — May 12 — an order that Sect. 5 of the Rules be amended so as to provide that the chairman of the Committee on the Normal School and of the Committee on High Schools shall be appointed by the President in the same manner as are the chairmen of other standing committees, reported that they are in favor of the proposed change, and therefore recommend the passage of the following order, which includes an amendment to Sect. 53, which is necessarily affected by the change in Sect. 5.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; amendment of Sect. 5 of Rules; Chairmen of Committees on Normal and High Schools to be appointed by President. [See p. 195.]

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows:

SECT. 5. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 5. The member first named on any committee shall be the chairman thereof ; except that each Division Committee shall elect its own chairman. The President shall, subject to the approval of the Board, fill vacancies on committees when they occur. Special committees shall be appointed by the presiding officer, unless otherwise ordered by the Board.

SECT. 53. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following :

SECT. 53. The member first named on each Division Committee shall call a meeting for organization within ten days after its appointment, at which meeting a chairman and secretary shall be chosen. The Secretary of the Board shall be furnished with a statement of such organization as soon as it is completed.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, presented the following:

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; proposed amendment to Sect. 281; admittance of men graduates of colleges to Normal School. [See p. 85.]

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — Mar. 10 — an amendment to Sect. 281 of the Regulations, with reference to the Normal School, to provide that "commencing September, 1903, men graduates of colleges may be admitted under the same requirements as those now provided for women graduates of colleges", beg leave to report that they found upon the records of Nov. 10, 1891, an opinion from a former Corporation Counsel that the School Board had no power to admit men to the Normal School. They decided to take the opinion of the present Corporation Counsel upon the subject, and he has replied that in his opinion "neither the City Council nor the School Committee have power to admit young men to the present Normal School or to establish another Normal School for young men". The committee therefore recommend that no further action be taken in the matter.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Report of Committee on Rules and

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Apr. 14 — an order that Section 207 of the

Regulations; amendment of Sect. 207 of Regulations; consent of Committee on School Houses for use of school buildings for other than school work. [See p. 138.]

Regulations be amended so as to provide that the Committee on School Houses instead of the committees in charge shall approve all applications for the use of school buildings for other than the regular work of the schools, reported that while they believe that such use should not be restricted, but rather granted freely for all reasonable and proper purposes, it is desirable, for many reasons, that permits for such use should be issued from one office which shall keep a record of them, and notify the janitors of such as may be approved. Your committee are also of the opinion that applications for such accommodations should be approved by the various committees in charge, who are in closer touch with the conditions existing in their respective districts, and the wishes and needs of the residents thereof, than one general committee. The passage of the following order is therefore recommended.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 207. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 207. No school building or part of a school building shall be used for other purposes than the work of the school unless by order of the Board, or with the approval of the committee in charge upon the written application of a responsible person stating the purpose for which such use is desired. Such application, when approved, shall be filed with the Secretary, who shall thereupon issue a permit in accordance with such approval; and no janitor shall open a school building for other than school use unless such permit shall have been issued.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of two substitute or reserve janitors. [See p. 138.]

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, who were requested — Apr. 14 — to report a proper rate of compensation for the two substitute or reserve janitors whose employment was authorized by the Board on that date, recommended the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the salaries of the two substitute or

reserve janitors authorized Apr. 14, 1903, be fixed at the rates of six hundred dollars ($600) and four hundred ninety-two dollars ($492) per annum respectively, to date from their several appointments until otherwise ordered.

Accepted, and the order laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Robert S. Scott.

Ordered, That there be paid to Robert S. Scott the sum of thirty dollars ($30) for services as acting janitor of the Parkman School-house from May 1 to 15, 1903, inclusive.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salary of Annie M. Burke.

Ordered, That the salary of Annie M. Burke, assistant in the offices of the Secretary and of the Auditing Clerk, be fixed at the rate of seven hundred eighty dollars ($780) per annum, to date from May 1, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Edward P. Sherburne.

Ordered, That there be paid to Edward P. Sherburne the sum of seventy dollars ($70) for services rendered as acting principal of the Lowell Educational Centre from Mar. 24 to Apr. 30, 1903, inclusive.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to John W. Remmonds.

Ordered, That there be paid to John W. Remmonds the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars ($450) for services rendered by him as janitor of the Winship School-house from Dec. 1, 1901, to June 2, 1902.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books, offered the following:

Ordered, That one thousand copies of the course of study for the Latin Schools be printed.

Reprint of Latin School course of study.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. McDonald, for the Committee on Hygiene and Physical Training, who were requested — Feb. 10 — to investigate and report upon the comparative sanitary advantages of latrines and individual closets for school-house use, reported that they have investigated the question carefully, and have reached the conclusion that there are objections, moral and physical, to the use of latrines, which do not exist in the case of individual closets. They believe that from the sanitary point of view the individual closets have every advantage, and they desire to express the opinion that no more latrines should be placed in the schools. Your committee therefore recommend that a copy of this report be transmitted to the Schoolhouse Commissioners as expressive of the opinion of this Board on the subject.

Report of Committee on Hygiene and Physical Training; investigation of latrines and individual closets. [See pp. 64, 65.]

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. McDonald, for the Committee on Drawing, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Drawing are hereby authorized to continue for the ensuing year the printed outlines of lessons in drawing, to be approved by the Superintendent and issued in two-month parts, as provided during the current year for Grammar and Primary Schools, under the order passed by the Board May 27, 1902.

Outlines of lessons in drawing to be issued.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on High Schools, to whom was referred — May 12 — the application of William T. Strong, master in the English High School,

Report of Committee on High Schools; leave of

absence to William T. Strong. [See p. 181.]

for leave of absence during the school year 1903–04, reported that the applicant desires to be allowed at least half-pay during the time of absence, which your committee do not feel that they can consistently recommend. They therefore report that no further action is necessary in this matter.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Vogel, for the same committee, offered the following:

Leave of absence to Frances B. Wilson.

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted Frances B. Wilson, assistant in the West Roxbury High School, from June 10 to June 18, 1903.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Vogel, for the same committee, offered the following:

Special teacher household science and arts, West Roxbury High School.

Ordered, That a special teacher of household science and arts be allowed in the West Roxbury High School, to date from Sept. 9, 1903.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Report of Committee on Manual Training; vacancy in position of Principal of Schools of Cookery. [See p. 158.]

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on Manual Training, to whom was referred — Apr. 14 — an order instructing the Superintendent not to make any nomination to fill the vacancy now existing in the position of Principal of Schools of Cookery, reported that they deem such action wise in view of the present financial condition of the Board, and they therefore recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That in view of the financial situation of the Board, the Superintendent is hereby instructed not to report any nomination for the position of Principal of Schools of Cookery, now vacant, which shall take effect before Sept. 1, 1904.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Normal

Mr. Paine, for the Committee on the Normal School, to whom was referred — May 12 — a communication

School; three-years' course of study, Normal School. [See pp. 182-186.]

from the Board of Supervisors relative to the proposed three-years' course of study in the Normal School, reported that they have carefully considered the same, and have received a supplementary communication from the Board of Supervisors approving the amendment to Sect. 280 of the Regulations as reported by the Committee on Rules and Regulations at the meeting of Jan. 27 (see Minutes, page 46). Your committee concur in the recommendations of the Board of Supervisors, and therefore recommend the passage of the order providing for the amendment of the Regulations as reported by the Committee on Rules and Regulations on Jan. 27, and hereto appended.

From this report Mrs. Duff dissents. Mr. Ellis dissents from the fourth paragraph of the proposed amendment to Sect. 289 and from the third paragraph of Sect. 291, providing for the payment of training and pupil teachers in grammar and primary schools and in kindergartens.

(For appended order, see Minutes Jan. 27, pages 46–49.)

The supplementary communication from the Board of Supervisors referred to in the foregoing report is as follows:

IN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
BOSTON, May 21, 1903.

In reply to the vote of the Committee on Normal School of May 14: The Board of Supervisors desires to say that the meaning of the opening paragraphs of the report made to the School Committee, May 12, will be made clear by adding to said paragraphs so that they shall read as follows:

The Board of Supervisors has considered the question of the Normal School course referred to it March 10. The individual members of the Board do not agree as to some of the details, but the Board has come to the conclusion that an extension of the course would tend to improve existing conditions. On the main features of the proposed reorganization of the Normal School, it is the opinion of the Board:

1. That a three-years' course of study in the Normal School should be adopted on trial.

The Board therefore approves of the proposed amendment to Sect. 280, which reads as follows:

SECT. 280. The Boston Normal School is established for the purpose of giving professional instruction to the young women who intend to become teachers in the public schools of Boston. The course of study in this school shall be for three years, divided into six terms of half a year each, and shall be arranged by the Superintendent and approved by the Board.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary, Board of Supervisors.

The report was accepted.

The Chair stated the question was on the passage of the order which had taken its first reading at a previous meeting.

Mr. Brett moved that the report of the Board of Supervisors relative to the Normal School course, as presented at the meeting of May 12, including the supplementary report printed on pages 215, 216, with all pending amendments to the Regulations relating to the Normal School, be recommitted to the Board of Supervisors with the request that the members of that Board report their individual opinions on the subject.

Passed.

Mr. Harkins offered the following:

Appropriation for Vacation Schools.

Ordered, That the sum of $3,000 having been found available by the Committee on Accounts, be added to the appropriation for Vacation Schools the ensuing term.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Communication from City Council; half-holiday to pupils of South Boston Schools Mar. 17. [See p. 89.]

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the communication from the City Council, under date of Mar. 2, requesting the School Committee to grant a half-holiday to the pupils in the South Boston Schools on Evacuation Day, was taken from the table and placed on file.

Miss Barrows, for the Committee on the Horace Mann School, offered the following:

Ordered That leave of absence be granted Sarah A. J. Monro, assistant in the Horace Mann School, during the month of September, 1903.

Leave of absence to Sarah A. J. Monro.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Brett, it was

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to report to this Board upon the advisability, from an educational standpoint, of taking the necessary action so that sub-masters hereafter appointed who, at the time of appointment, are receiving a salary elsewhere in excess of the minimum salary of a sub-master shall be allowed the usual credit for previous service, with the proviso that the salary of any such sub-master for the first year of service in Boston shall not exceed the salary he is receiving at the time of appointment.

Credit allowed sub-masters for previous service.

Mr. Burrill offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be requested to have the uncollected interest of the Eastburn Fund invested so that the income may be available for the use of the Normal School.

Uncollected interest of Eastburn Fund to be invested.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Vogel offered the following:

Ordered, That the following-named school-houses be open for inspection during the meeting of the National Educational Association, July 6–10, 1903, namely: Public Latin School, English High School, Mechanic Arts High School, Dorchester High School, East Boston High School, South Boston High School, Bigelow Grammar School, Chapman Grammar School, Paul Revere Primary School, Phillips Brooks Grammar School, Prince Grammar School, Rice Grammar School, Roger Wolcott Grammar School, Horace Mann School for the Deaf.

School-houses to be open during meeting of National Educational Association.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, the order was amended to

include such other buildings as the Superintendent may approve.

Rules suspended.

The order as amended passed, under a suspension of the rules.

The following communication was read:

Petition of Woman's Relief Corps; gifts to public schools.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
BOSTON, MASS., May 20, 1903.

To the School Board of the City of Boston:

We, the undersigned, representing the corps of the Woman's Relief Corps in Boston, do most respectfully petition your honorable board for permission to present to the Schools of Boston—

First. Framed copies of the oleograph of the Stars and Stripes.

Second. Framed copies of the Declaration of Independence.

Third. Flags in all school-rooms where desired.

Trusting that our request will receive your favorable consideration, we are respectfully yours,

LUE STUART WADSWORTH
and 9 others.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, it was

Petition of Woman's Relief Corps; gifts to public schools.

Ordered, That the petition of Lue Stuart Wadsworth and others, representing the Woman's Relief Corps in Boston, for permission to present to the public schools framed copies of an oleograph entitled "Origin and History of the Stars and Stripes", framed copies of the Declaration of Independence, and flags in school-rooms where desired, be granted; and that the thanks of this Board be extended to the petitioners for their generous and patriotic action.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

In School Committee, June 9, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the records of the last meeting were amended on page 208 by striking out the name of Mr. Cushing from the list of those voting nay on the motion to substitute a minority report for the majority report of the Committee on Accounts, relative to an appropriation for constructing and furnishing new buildings, and adding his name to the list of those who voted yea on the same motion, thus making the vote: Yeas, 10; nays, 12.

Records amended.

On motion of the same member, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed, as amended.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments and confirmations of instructors, as presented at the last meeting.

Approval of appointments and confirmations laid over.

The appointments and confirmations were approved.

The following orders successively took their second readings and passed:

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows:

Sect. 5. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

Sect. 5. The member first named on any committee shall be the chairman thereof; except that each Division Committee shall elect its own chairman. The President shall, subject to the approval of the Board, fill vacancies on committees when they occur. Special committees shall be appointed by the presiding officer, unless otherwise ordered by the Board.

Amendment of Sect. 5 of Rules; Chairmen of Committees on Normal and High Schools to be appointed by President. [See pp. 209, 210.]

Sect. 53. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

Sect. 53. The member first named on each Division Committee shall call a meeting for organization within ten days after its appointment, at which meeting a chairman and secretary shall

be chosen. The Secretary of the Board shall be furnished with a statement of such organization as soon as it is completed.

Amendment of Sect. 207 of Regulations; consent of Committee on School Houses for use of school buildings for other than school work. [See p. 211.]

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 207. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 207. No school building or part of a school building shall be used for other purposes than the work of the school unless by order of the Board, or with the approval of the committee in charge upon the written application of a responsible person stating the purpose for which such use is desired. Such application, when approved, shall be filed with the Secretary, who shall thereupon issue a permit in accordance with such approval; and no janitor shall open a school building for other than school use unless such permit shall have been issued.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

Salary due Mary Wall. [See p. 205.]

Ordered, That the salary due Mary Wall, deceased, late principal of the Howard-avenue Kindergarten, be paid to Annie M. H. Gillespie, a grammar assistant in the Eliot School District, and amounting to $43.66.

Abatement of tuition of Elsie M. Welt. [See p. 205.]

Ordered, That the amount paid by Alister L. Welt, of Dedham, Mass., for tuition from Apr. 28, 1903, to July 1, 1903, of Elsie M. Welt, a non-resident pupil in the Boston Normal School, viz., nineteen dollars and thirty-eight cents ($19.38), be abated, said pupil having become a resident of this city Apr. 28, 1903.

Exhibit of work in drawing and manual training of public schools. [See pp. 205, 206.]

Ordered, That the Committee on Drawing and the Committee on Manual Training be authorized to prepare an exhibit of the work in drawing and manual training in the public schools of Boston, to be held respectively in the Public Latin School and the Mechanic Arts High School, and such other schools as the Superintendent may approve, July 6–11, 1903, on the occasion of the meeting of the National Educational Association, at an expense not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100).

Salaries of two substitute or reserve janitors. [See pp. 211, 212.]

Ordered, That the salaries of the two substitute or reserve janitors authorized Apr. 14, 1903, be fixed at the rates of six hundred dollars ($600) and four

hundred ninety-two dollars ($492) per annum respectively, to date from their several appointments until otherwise ordered.

Ordered, That one thousand copies of the course of study for the Latin Schools be printed.

Reprint of Latin School course of study. [See p. 213.]

The following communication was read:

Communication from City Council; union label on school books.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN COMMON COUNCIL, May 7, 1903.

Ordered, That the School Committee, through His Honor the Mayor, be requested to reconsider its action of April 27, 1903, averse to causing the union label to be placed upon all school books used in the public schools of the City of Boston.

Passed. Sent up for concurrence.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, May 11, 1903.

Concurred.

A true copy.

Attest: JOHN T. PRIEST,
Assistant City Clerk.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
BOSTON, MASS., June 1, 1903.

Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered reasonable.

Referred to the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books.

The following communication was read:

Communication from City Council; half-holiday to school children, June 18, 1903, to see Liberty Bell on Boston Common.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 4, 1903.

Ordered, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to allow to all children of the public schools a half-holiday on June eighteenth, that they may have an opportunity to view the Liberty Bell on Boston Common; and that they also be requested to arrange for appropriate exercises to be participated in by school children.

Passed unanimously. Sent up for concurrence.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 8.

Concurred.

A true copy.

Attest: JOHN T. PRIEST,
Assistant City Clerk.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
BOSTON, MASS., June 9, 1903.

Respectfully referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered reasonable.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Clerk of Committees; attendance of Charlestown school children at Charlestown celebration, June 17, 1903.

CITY OF BOSTON,
CLERK OF COMMITTEES DEPARTMENT,
CITY HALL, June 6, 1903.

To the Honorable the School Committee of the City of Boston:

The Committee on June Seventeenth on the part of the City Council is desirous of having the co-operation of your honorable board in the celebration of the day.

The committee requests that you allow the attendance of the children of the Charlestown public schools at the exercises at the Monument on the afternoon of June 17, for the purpose of singing "The Star Spangled Banner" and "America."

There will be a stand erected for the accommodation of the children on the steps opposite Monument avenue.

Very respectfully,

JOHN F. DEVER,
Clerk of Committees.

Referred to the Committee on the Second Division.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Board of Election Commissioners; use of basements of Bowdoin and Prince School-houses for election purposes.

BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS,
OLD COURT HOUSE, BOSTON, June 8, 1903.

School Committee, Boston, Mass.:

We hereby respectfully request the use of the basements in the Bowdoin and Prince School buildings for election purposes for the year 1903.

As the use of these rooms is necessary for the purposes of this department, we trust that there will be no difficulty in obtaining permission for the use of said basements.

Respectfully,

BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS,
JOHN M. MINTON,
Chairman.

Placed on file.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Longfellow District. — Amy A. Snelling, assistant, Kindergarten, July 1, 1903.

Director of Vacation Schools. — Lewis H. Dutton, June 9, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments and transfers, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Comins District. — Mary A. G. Jones, Boston, Grammar School, from Apr. 13, 1903. Special assistant.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Christopher Gibson District. — Gertrude M. Gleason, Abington, assistant, Grammar School, from June 8, 1903. Temporary teacher.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

Dearborn District — Mary G. Finnegan, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Sept. 9, 1903. On probation.

Manual Training Schools. — Lydia G. Sprague, Lancaster, Mass., Anna S. Streyffert, Boston, assistant instructors, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TRANSFERS.

George Putnam District. — Ede F. Travis, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Primary School of the same district, to date from June 1, 1903. Transfers.

Lowell District. — Rose E. Munster, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Primary School of the same district, to date from June 1, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:

Bennett District. — Mabel L. Chapman, assistant, Grammar School, from June 6, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Jennie M. Chandler, Boston, substitute.

Chapman District. — Frances A. Gallagher, assistant, Grammar School, from May 25, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Jessie C. Skinner, Boston, substitute.

Dearborn District. — Annie S. Irvin, assistant, Grammar School, from June 2, 1903, until June 23, 1903; Mary G. Finnegan, Boston, substitute.

Eliot District. — Charlotte A. Hood, assistant, Grammar School, from June 1, 1903, until June 27, 1903; Helen M. Cleveland, Boston, substitute.

George Putnam District. — Carrie A. Colton, assistant, Grammar School, from May 25, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Alice A. Doherty, Boston, substitute.

Hancock District. — Mary E. Meaney, assistant, Primary School, from May 18, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Emma L. Spratt, Boston, substitute.

Lawrence District. — Sarah E. Lakeman, first assistant, Primary School, from May 15, 1903, until July 1, 1903.

Roger Wolcott District. — Harriet M. Gould, assistant, Grammar School, from May 19, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Josephine C. Lithgow, Boston, substitute.

Designation of a first assistant to take charge of a district.

The Superintendent reported that he had designated Ida L. Boyden, first assistant of the Christopher Gibson School, to take charge of the schools in that district during the absence of William E. Endicott, master, from May 26, 1903, to the time of his death, June 3, 1903, and that he now designates her to take charge of the district until the vacancy caused by Mr. Endicott's death has been filled.

Placed on file.

The Superintendent reported that he had designated Ellen C. Sawtelle, first assistant of the Hancock School, to take charge of the schools in that district during the absence of Lewis H. Dutton, master, from June 4, 1903.

Designation of a first assistant to take charge of a district.

Placed on file.

The Superintendent reported that he had designated Edgar L. Raub, sub-master of the John A. Andrew School, to take charge of the schools in that district during the absence of Joshua M. Dill, master, on May 26 and 27, 1903.

Designation of a sub-master to take charge of a district.

Placed on file.

VACATION SCHOOLS.

The appointment of the following-named persons for service in the designated positions in the Vacation Schools during the term of 1903, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations and orders of the School Committee, were presented for the approval of the Board:

Instructors in Vacation Schools.

DIRECTOR.

Michael E. Fitzgerald.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, the rules were suspended, and the appointment approved.

Rules suspended.

PRINCIPALS OF SCHOOLS.

Joseph T. F. Burrell, — Dorchester.
Caroline F. Cutler, — Roxbury.
John J. Sheehan, — South Boston.
Charles C. Haines, — East Boston.
Charles F. Merrick, — Brighton.
Edward F. O'Dowd, — Charlestown.
Benjamin J. Hinds, — North End.
Edwin F. Kimball, — West End.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, the rules were suspended, and the foregoing appointments approved.

Rules suspended.

TEACHERS OF WOODWORKING.

Sarah M. Aldrich,
William A. England,
Aimée C. Ferson,
W. Irving Heath,
Oscar H. E. Hoss.

TEACHERS.

Mary B. Adams,
Albert S. Ames,
Alice A Banker,
Elizabeth C. Banker,
Ellen A. Barry,
Mary B. Bartlett,
Mary L. Bibbey,
Matilda F. Bibbey,
Eldora M. S. Bowen,
Annie T. Burke,
Mary Burkhardt,
Idabel F. Butler,
Helen R. Campbell,
Teresa L. Carlin,
Margaret L. Carolan,
E. Mabel Clark,
Josephine E. Clark,
Viola M. I. Clark,
Margaret A. M. Collins,
Alicia I. Collison,
Blanche J. Conner,
Lucy B. Conner,
Annie G. Conroy,
Katherine E. Cotter,
Mabel L. Crowell,
Mary J. Cullen,
Annie L. Curley,
Alberta A. Cutler,
Marion L. Dally,
Alice M. Desmond,
Elizabeth F. Dorn,
Marcella F. Dowd,
Mary E. Durgin,
Ellen K. Eichorn,
W. Stanwood Field,
Anastasia Gannon,
Mary C. Gartland,
Catherine L. Gately,
Ida M. Gilcrease,
M. Gertrude Godvin,
Annie F. Gray,
Ellen M. Greany,
Anna J. Griffin,
Mary J. Haggerty,
Katherine R. Haley,
Catherine E. Halligan,
Florence M. Halligan,
Mary I. Hamilton,
Emily J. Hare,
Mary C. Harrington,
Ellen G. Hayden,
Clara L. Haynes,
Leila R. Haynes,
Adalyn P. Henderson,
Katharine T. A. Hogan,
Marion E. Hood,
Sarah A. Horan,
Helen M. Horton,
Louise C. Howes,
Mary G. Hudson,
Annie G. Hughes,
Arthur A. Jordan,
Frances S. Jordan,
Josephine F. Joyce,
Rose E. Keenan,
Katharine C. Kelley,
Helen C. Laughlin,
Ermina C. Leach,
Mary C. Leonard,
Winifred T. Leonard,
Hattie L. Littlefield,
William W. Locke,
Mabelle E. Lounsbury,
Grace V. Lynch,
Emma L. MacDonald,
M. Ursula Magrath,
Mary A. Maloney,
Agnes E. McDonald,

Katharine C. McDonnell,
Alice McGillicuddy,
Ellen G. McTernan,
Agnes L. McMahan,
E. Lillian Mitchell,
Mary F. Montrose,
James M. Murdock,
Margaret A. Murphy,
Annie M. Niland,
Anna H. O'Connell,
Johanna J. O'Neil,
Mary A. O'Neil,
Catherine S. Parker,
G. Caroline Penchard,
Julia E. Phalen,
Della Prescott,
Helen De S. Regan,
Maude E. Rice,
Elizabeth B. Richardson,
Rachel Rosnosky,
Alice A. Sanborn,
Cora F. Sanborn,
Albert F. Schmitt,
Caroline A. Shay,
Josephine A. Simonton,
Emma M. Smith,
Caroline M. Sproul,
Mary J. Stark,
La Vinia E. Stewart,
Alice D. Strong,
Henrietta A. Sullivan,
Katharine M. Sullivan,
Katharine G. Sutliff,
F. Mabel Sykes,
Mary E. Thompson,
Blanche Tibbits,
Hannah E. Tobin,
Annie M. Trundy,
Gertrude C. L. Vasque,
Florence I. Waitt,
Eliza M. Warren,
Mary E. Walsh,
Annie C. Webber,
Augusta M. Wood.

ASSISTANT TEACHERS.

Ida E. Ansley,
Catherine Bishop,
Alice D. Burke,
Alice M. Cahill,
Adelaide M. Clarke,
Ethel M. Coe,
Anna M. Cogan,
Mabel A. Collins,
M. Louise Costello,
Anna F. Cotter,
Violet F. Creber,
Marguerite C. Cronan,
Elizabeth E. Curley,
Sara D. Davidson,
Bertha F. Dodge,
Margaret C. Donovan,
Mary A. Dunican,
Etta C. Ernst,
Grace E. Fogg,
Sarah E. French,
Helen J. Gormley,
Mina Guyton,
Elizabeth E. Haggerty,
Anastasia G. Hyde,
Jennie M. Jackson,
Mary Kelly,
Margaret M. A. Kennedy,
Annie C. Lamb,
Elizabeth T. Lavey,
Josephine C. Lithgow,
Eva H. S. Lucas,
Annie C. MacDonald,
Alice G. Mace,
Dora E. McCarty,
Mary G. McDermott,
Rose E. McEnaney,
Katherine A. McMurry,
Sarah E. McNeill,
Alice D. Murley,
Mabel J. Neil,
Elizabeth M. O'Donnell,
Gertrude O. Oppenheim,

Mary M. Phelan,
Jennie L. Quirk,
Mary M. Simpson,
Mary C. Sinnott,
Alice E. Smith,
Beatrice E. Strong,
Gertrude F. Sullivan
Mary A. L. Timony,
Annie R. Toye,
Mary A. Watson.

HEADS OF PLAYGROUNDS.

Margaret F. Keenan,
Gertrude H. Russell.

HELPERS IN PLAYGROUNDS.

Fannie Barnett,
Katherine A. Breen,
Grace G. Colman,
Leslie M. Corbett,
Julia F. Cunningham,
Loretta J. Curran,
Jane K. Daly,
Mary T. Davis,
Helen C. Dunican,
Margaret E. Fisher,
Helena M. Foley,
Emma M. Fotch,
Florence A. Gilson,
Ethel F. Grove,
Ida M. Howe,
Grace A. Kelleher,
Emily S. Ladd,
Raphaella Langone,
Annie Lippa,
Anna Maybury,
Elizabeth J. Murphy,
Theresa G. O'Brien,
Margaret O'Mara,
Mary F. O'Meara,
Josephine A. Powers,
Honora G. Stack,
Rose B. Sullivan,
Florence D. Webster,
Florence M. Young.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the reading of the aforesaid appointments was dispensed with, and the appointments were laid over, under the rule.

REAPPOINTMENTS OF INSTRUCTORS.

Reappointments of instructors.

The following annual reappointments of instructors, to date from Sept. 1, 1903, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

To serve during the pleasure of the School Committee.

Brighton High School. — Frederick A. Tupper, Head-master.

South Boston High School. — Augustus D. Small, Head-master.

Dudley District. — Abram T. Smith, Master.

Lewis District. — Charles C. Haines, Master.

Phillips Brooks District. — Henry B. Hall, Master.

Instructor of Military Drill. — George H. Benyon.

Laid over, under the rule.

For the term ending Aug. 31, 1904.

Public Latin School. — Arthur I. Fiske, Head-master.

English High School. — John F. Casey, Head-master.

Franklin District. — Seth Sears, Master.

Lincoln District. — William E. Perry, Master.

Winthrop District. — Emily F. Carpenter, Master.

Director of Physical Training. — James B. Fitzgerald.

Dorchester High School. — Mabel S. Morse, special teacher of physical training.

East Boston High School. — Sarah H. Jacobus, special teacher of physical training.

Girls' High School. — Edith T. Sears, special teacher of physical training.

Roxbury High School. — Florence L. Carter, assistant to the teacher of physical training.

South Boston High School. — Blanche A. Bemis, special teacher of physical training.

West Roxbury High School. — Catharine L. Bigelow, special teacher of physical training.

Laid over, under the rule.

On Probation.

Assistants to the Director of Physical Training. — Gordon Trowbridge, Nathaniel J. Young.

Laid over, under the rule.

A list of reappointments of the subordinate teachers of the several Normal, Latin, High, Grammar, Primary, and Kindergarten Schools, to serve during the pleasure of the School Committee, and for the term ending Aug.

31, 1904, said reappointments to date from Sept. 1, 1903, as contained in the report of the Superintendent (School Document No. 5, 1903), was presented for the approval of the Board.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Appointments of Principals of Evening Schools.

The following appointments of Principals of Evening Schools for the term 1903–1904, said appointments to date from Sept. 28, 1903, made by the Superintendent, were presented for the approval of the Board:

Evening High School. — Fred A. Fernald, Boston, Head-master.

Bowdoin School. — W. Hector S. Kollmyer, Boston.

Comins School. — John E. Butler, Boston.

Dearborn School. — John S. Richardson, Boston.

Eliot School. — Walter Mooers, Arlington.

Franklin School. — Gustavus F. Guild, Medford.

Lincoln School — James H. Gormley, Boston.

Lyman School. — Henry H. Folsom, Somerville.

Mather School. — Orris L. Beverage, Boston.

Norcross School. — Caspar Isham, Boston.

Quincy School. — Alanson H. Mayers, Boston.

Warren School. — James H. Leary, Boston.

Washington Allston School. — George E. Murphy, Boston.

Wells School. — Charles E. Harris, Boston.

Laid over, under the rule.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Minors' licenses.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 68 minors to be licensed as newsboys, of 13 to be licensed as bootblacks, and of 3 to be licensed as pedlers of small wares.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Board of Supervisors on allowing credit to sub-masters for previous service.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
June 5, 1903.

To the School Committee, Boston, Mass.:

The Board of Supervisors, in response to the order of May 26 relative to the appointment of sub-masters, would respectfully offer the following report: We consider the position of sub-master one of the most important in the service. These men should have all the requirements necessary for a master.

The salaries of desirable men in the vicinity of Boston are above the minimum allowed by the Rules and Regulations for sub-masters. From the inability of the Committee to offer a salary equal to that already paid to the candidate, the services of very able men are lost to the schools. Therefore we recommend that from an educational standpoint it is advisable to make some alterations in the Rules and Regulations whereby appointments can be made of sub-masters, who are receiving a salary elsewhere in excess of the minimum salary of a sub-master, and who shall be allowed the usual credit for previous service with the proviso that the salary of any such sub-master, for the first year of service in Boston, shall not exceed the salary he is receiving at the time of appointment.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN P. SEAVER,
Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

On motion of Mr. Brett, laid on the table.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Brett, the foregoing communication was taken from the table and referred to the Committe on Rules and Regulations.

Report of Committee on Accounts; appropriation for Vacation Schools. [See p. 216.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — May 26 — an order that the sum of three thousand dollars ($3,000) be added to the appropriation for Vacation Schools the ensuing term, reported that they have considered carefully the financial situation and recommend the passage of the following order. From this recommendation Mr. Merritt and Mr. Gallivan dissent:

Ordered, That the Committee on the Extended Use of School Buildings be authorized to expend, in addi-

tion to the items under their immediate charge, included in the schedule on which the appropriation bill for 1903–04 recently passed was based, a further sum of three thousand dollars ($3,000) to be charged to the following-named items:

Salaries of Instructors, two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500).

Salaries of Janitors, two hundred and fifty dollars ($250), and Supplies and Incidentals, two hundred and fifty dollars ($250).

Mr. Merritt presented the following minority report, signed by himself and by Mr. Gallivan:

Minority report of Committee on Accounts; appropriation for vacation schools.

The undersigned dissent from the recommendation of the Committee on Accounts, that an order be passed transferring $2,500 from the appropriation for salaries of instructors and $250 from salaries of janitors to the appropriation for vacation schools. While more money than has been already appropriated for vacation schools may be desirable, in the opinion of the undersigned it is at this time unwise and improper to take any sum, however small, from the appropriation for the salaries of teachers, or of janitors.

It is asserted by the majority of the Committee on Accounts that the above sum is to be saved in part by the continuation of the policy of appointments of temporary teachers.

In the judgment of the undersigned the appointment of temporary teachers, other than as provided for by the rules of the committee, is harmful to the schools and unfair to the teachers.

The number of teachers needed at the opening of the schools in the fall cannot now be definitely determined, and the committee should run no risk of a lack of money to pay the salaries of teachers in the regular schools.

Notwithstanding the recent statement of the Chairman of the Committee on Accounts that the School Committee is now on "Easy Street," the undersigned is of the opinion that the committee is still located at some distance from that desirable thoroughfare.

The Schoolhouse Commissioners have notified the committee that the sum appropriated for the Schoolhouse Department is insufficient for the needs of that department by several thousand dollars, and in all probability before the end of the year an additional appropriation for that department must be made.

In view, therefore, of the straightened financial condition of the committee, and the fact that the utmost economy must be

practised to meet the necessary expenses of the schools, the undersigned recommend that until the committee can obtain funds from some source other than the salaries of teachers and janitors, no further appropriation for vacation schools be made.

The foregoing reports were accepted, and the order appended to the report of the majority was laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Election Commissioners are hereby granted the use of the basements of the Bowdoin and Prince School-houses during the current year for election purposes, the same to be without expense to the School Committee and without interference with the regular work of the schools.

Use of basements of Bowdoin and Prince School-houses for election purposes.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of John J. Mulligan, substitute janitor, appointed June 1, 1903, be fixed at the rate of six hundred dollars ($600) per annum.

Salary of John J. Mulligan.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, reported, for the approval of the Board, the appointment of John J. Smith, as temporary, reserve or substitute janitor, at an annual salary of four hundred ninety-two dollars ($492) from June 11 to Sept. 1, 1903, inclusive.

Report of Committee on School Houses; appointment and salary of temporary janitor.

Approved, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, to whom was referred — May 12 — a communication from the Common Council, through His Honor the Mayor, requesting the School Committee to put the piece of land adjoining the Plummer School on Sumner street, Ward 2, in proper shape for a playstead for the scholars attending said school, reported that there is no appropriation available to meet the cost of doing the work. Your committee

Report of Committee on School Houses; land adjoining Plummer School for use as playstead. [See p. 178.]

recommend, therefore, that it is inexpedient to comply with the request contained in the communication referred, and that the Common Council be so informed.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, it was

Compensation of janitors for scrubbing floors of school-houses during vacation.

Ordered, That the rate of compensation of janitors for scrubbing the floors of school buildings during the current summer, as required by Rule 18 of the Rules and Regulations for Janitors, shall be fixed by the Committee on School Houses on a square foot basis; provided, however, that the total expenditure for this purpose shall not exceed the amount previously appropriated therefor, viz.: $2,600.

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Names of Buildings, presented the following:

Report of Committee on Names of Buildings; naming of schools.

The Committee on Names of Buildings, to whom were referred, at various times, sundry orders and petitions relative to names to be given certain schools, report that they do not find in the list of Boston Schools the names of many Americans whose deeds have made them famous. Your committee believe that the name of a school should be of such a character as to awaken in the scholars patriotism and a desire to serve their country. A great name is an incentive to great service. The lives of its best men make the history of a country. In no way can history be better taught than through the lives of the men who have become famous in art, in letters, in science, or in public life. Your committee recognize that there are certain local historical traditions that the names of the schools may well preserve, and that there are men who have served their country well in a less exalted position whose names should be perpetuated, but they feel that in Boston this principle has received full recognition, while many names of national importance find no place in our list of schools. Your committee believe that an important primary school is quite as worthy of a great name as a grammar school. No child is too young to begin to worship a hero. Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the following-named schools be named as follows:

New school on Columbia road, Dorchester, — William E. Russell School, for William E. Russell, Governor of Massachusetts, patriot, statesman.

New school on Norman street, West End, — Washington School, for George Washington, founder of a nation.

New school on Heath street, Roxbury, — Jefferson School, for Thomas Jefferson, philosopher and statesman.

New school at the corner of Horace and Byron streets, East Boston, — Paul Jones School, for Paul Jones, founder of the American Navy.

New school at the corner of Kenwood road and Huntington avenue, — Farragut School, for David Glascoe Farragut, great naval commander.

New school on School street, George Putnam District, — Hamilton School, for Alexander Hamilton, constructive statesman, the exponent of American unity.

New school on Westville street, Dorchester, — Marshall School, for John Marshall, jurist, wise interpreter of the American Constitution.

Weston-street School, — Asa Gray School, for Asa Gray, botanist, who devoted his life to the advancement of knowledge.

Roxbury-street School, Dudley District, — Miles Standish School, for Miles Standish, colonist and soldier.

Quincy-street School, Phillips Brooks District, — Hull School, for Isaac Hull, commodore United States Navy, commander of the Constitution.

Baker-street School, Robert G. Shaw District, — Henry Vane School, for Henry Vane, Governor of Massachusetts, defender of the liberties of the colonists.

Morton-street School, Roger Wolcott District,—Poe School, for Edgar Allan Poe, man of letters.

Bartlett-street School, Warren District,—Copley School, for John Singleton Copley, painter.

Accepted, and the order laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on Salaries; compensation for janitors for extra services, free public lectures. [See p. 153.]

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred — Apr. 14 — an order requesting them to provide proper compensation for janitors for extra services in connection with the free public lectures conducted under the direction of the Committee on Evening Schools, reported that they have investigated this matter, and are of the opinion, in view of the wide differences in the amount of work required in the vari-

ous buildings in which lectures have been held, that it is impracticable to recommend a uniform rate of compensation for such services, and that the proper amounts to be paid the several janitors may best be determined by the Committee on Evening Schools, under whose direction the lectures have been given, and who are familiar with the conditions existing in each building. Furthermore, your committee believe that the amounts to be paid the janitors for such services should not be charged to the general appropriation for salaries of janitors, but should be met from the the item under Supplies and Incidentals, — "Lectures and expenses pertaining to the same, under the direction of the Committee on Evening Schools." They therefore recommend that the Committee on Evening Schools determine the rate of compensation for janitors in the same manner as they have the amounts paid lecturers and supervisors of lectures.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salaries of truant officers. [See p. 80.]

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, who were requested — Feb. 24 — to consider and report what modifications, if any, should be made in the present scale of salaries of the truant officers, reported that, after careful consideration and investigation of the subject, your committee believe that no change should be made in the salaries of the truant officers at this time, and therefore recommend that no further action by the Board is necessary in the matter.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following;

Salaries of employees in vacation schools.

Ordered, That the salaries of those employed in the vacation schools during the year 1903 be fixed as follows:

Director, six dollars ($6) for each day's service.
Principal of a school, five dollars ($5) for each day's service.
Teacher of woodworking, two and one-half dollars ($2.50) for each day's service.
Teacher, two dollars ($2) for each day's service.
Assistant teacher, one dollar ($1) for each day's service.
Head of a Playground, one and $\frac{20}{100}$ dollars ($1.20) for each day's service of one session, and two dollars ($2) for each day's service of two sessions.
Assistant in a Playground, eighty cents ($.80) for each day's service of one session, and one dollar ($1) for each day's service of two sessions.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, presented the annual report of that committee in print. (School Document No. 4, 1903.) Annual report of Committee on Salaries.

Appended to the report were the following orders:

1. *Ordered*, That the salaries of instructors of the public schools be fixed for the year ending August 31, 1904, as contained in the following schedule:

NORMAL SCHOOL.

Head-Master	$3,780
Master, first year, $2,340; annual increase, $144; maximum	3,060
Assistants, first year, $1,140; annual increase, $60; maximum,	1,620

LATIN AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

Head-Masters	$3,780
Masters	3,060
Junior-Masters, first year, $1,476; annual increase (for eleven years), $144; salary for the twelfth and subsequent years, with the rank of Master	3,060
Assistant Principal, Roxbury High School, first year, $1,620; annual increase, $72; maximum	1,836
Assistants, first year, $972; annual increase, $72; maximum,	1,620

MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.

Head-Master	$3,780
Masters	3,060
Junior-Masters, first year, $1,476; annual increase (for eleven years), $144; salary for the twelfth and subsequent years, with the rank of Master	3,060

Instructors, first year, $1,500; annual increase, $120; maximum	$2,340
Assistant Instructors, first year, $972; annual increase, $72; maximum	1,620
Special Instructors, first year, $600; annual increase, $72; maximum	960
Instructor of Metal-working, first year, $1,800; annual increase, $60; maximum	2,580

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

Masters, first year, $2,580; annual increase, $120; maximum,	$3,180
Sub-Masters, first year, $1,500; annual increase, $120; maximum	2,340
First Assistants, first year, $972; annual increase, $48; maximum	1,212
Assistants, first year, $552; annual increase, $48; maximum,	936
Special Assistants (per day)	1 50

PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

First Assistants, first year, $984; annual increase, $48; maximum	$1,080
Assistants, first year, $552; annual increase, $48; maximum,	936
Special Assistants (per day)	1 50

KINDERGARTENS.

Principals, first year, $624; increase for second year, $24; annual increase for three succeeding years, $48; maximum	$792 00
Assistants, first year, $432; annual increase, $48; maximum,	624 00
Special Assistants (per week)	5 00

EVENING SCHOOLS.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Principal (per week), first year, $40; second year, $45; third year and subsequently	$50 00
Assistant in charge of Charlestown branch (per evening)	5 00
Assistants (per evening)	4 00
Special Teacher of Penmanship (per evening)	2 00
Special Assistant, Typewriting Department (per evening)	2 00
Laboratory Assistants (per evening)	2 00

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

Principals, in schools where average attendance for month is 100 pupils or more (per evening)	5 00
In schools where average attendance for month is less than 100 (per evening)	4 00

First Assistants, in schools where average attendance for month is 75 pupils or more (per evening)	$2 50
In schools where average attendance for month is less than 75 pupils (per evening)	2 00
Assistants (per evening)	2 00
Assistants in charge of Post-graduate Classes (per evening)	2 50
Instructors in Cookery and Sewing (per evening)	2 00

DRAWING SCHOOLS.

[1] Masters (per evening)	10 00
Principals (per evening), first year, $7; second year and subsequently	8 00
Assistants (per evening), first year, $4; second year, $5; third year and subsequently	6 00

HORACE MANN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

Principal	$3,180
Assistant Principal, first year, $1,152; annual increase, $72; maximum	1,440
Assistants, first year, $780; annual increase, $72; maximum,	1,284

SCHOOL ON SPECTACLE ISLAND.

Instructor (including all expenses connected with the school, except for books)	$400

SPECIAL INSTRUCTORS.

Teacher of Chemistry, Girls' High School	$1,620
Laboratory Assistants, English High School (2)	500
Laboratory Assistant, Girls' High School	936
Laboratory Assistant, Mechanic Arts High School	500
Laboratory Assistant, Roxbury High School	936

COMMERCIAL BRANCHES.

Special Instructors, first year, $1,200; annual increase, $120; maximum	2,040
Instructors, first year, $900; annual increase, $72; maximum	1,548

DRAWING.

Director	$3,000
Assistants to Director (3)	1,500
[2] Assistant to Director	2,508
Special Teachers, Dorchester High School (2)	1,200

[1] The rank of Master in Evening Drawing Schools shall be abolished as the position becomes vacant by the retirement of the present incumbents.

[2] To give instruction in drawing in the Normal School, and to assist the Director of Drawing.

Special Teacher, English High School	$2,500
Special Teacher, Roxbury High School	1,200
Special Teacher, South Boston High School	1,200
Special Teacher, West Roxbury High School	1,200

KINDERGARTENS.

Director	$2,880

MANUAL TRAINING.

Principal of Manual Training Schools	$2,508
Instructors	1,200
Assistant Instructors, first year, $804; annual increase, $48; maximum	996
Instructors, Schools of Cookery, first year, $552; annual increase, $48; maximum	936

Teachers of Sewing:

One division	$144	Seven divisions	$660
Two divisions	240	Eight divisions	732
Three divisions	336	Nine divisions	792
Four divisions	432	Ten divisions	840
Five divisions	516	Eleven divisions	888
Six divisions	588	All over eleven divisions	936

MILITARY DRILL.

Instructor	$2,000
Armorer	1,050

MODERN LANGUAGES.

Assistant Instructors (2)	$1,800
Teacher of German, Girls' High and Girls' Latin Schools	1,800
Teacher of French, South Boston High School	972

MUSIC.

Director	$3,000
Assistant Directors, first year, $2,004; annual increase, $72; maximum	2,652
Assistants, first year, $996; annual increase, $48; maximum,	1,236

PHYSICAL TRAINING.

Director	$3,000
Assistant to Director	2,280
Assistant to Director	1,800
Teacher, Brighton High School	936

Teacher, Dorchester High School	$1,200
Teacher, East Boston High School	1,200
Teacher of Physical Training and Reading, Girls' High School,	1,200
Teacher of Physical Training and Reading, Girls' Latin School,	936
Teacher, Roxbury High School	1,200
Assistant Teacher, Roxbury High School	900
Teacher, South Boston High School	1,200
Teacher, West Roxbury High School	1,200

SPECIAL CLASSES.

Teachers, first year, $936; annual increase, $48; maximum	$1,032

2. *Ordered*, That the salaries of the members of the permanent corps of substitutes, appointed in accordance with Section 146 of the Regulations, be fixed at the rate of ten dollars ($10) per month, exclusive of July and August, and that they be paid in addition thereto the sum of two dollars ($2) for each day of actual service, — one-session days being reckoned as full days, for the year ending August 31, 1904.

3. *Ordered*, That the compensation of substitutes, other than members of the permanent corps of substitutes appointed under Section 146 of the Regulations, and of temporary teachers, be fixed at the following rates for each day of actual service:

Junior-Master, High Schools	$5 00
Assistant, High Schools	2 50
Instructor, Mechanic Arts High School	4 00
Assistant Instructor, Mechanic Arts High School	2 50
Sub-Master, Grammar Schools	4 00
Assistant, Grammar or Primary Schools	2 00
Principal, Kindergartens	1 75
Assistant, Kindergartens	1 25
Instructor, Schools of Cookery	2 00

and that the compensation of substitutes and of temporary teachers of other ranks than those enumerated herein shall be one four-hundredth part of the minimum salary of the respective ranks, for each day of actual service, for the year ending August 31, 1904.

4. *Ordered*, That the instructor in any school, district, or department who takes charge thereof under the provisions of Section 144 of the Regulations for a continuous period exceeding two weeks, shall receive, in addition to his or her regular salary, one-half of the difference between the said salary and the minimum salary of the higher position, during the time of such service, but not including the summer vacation.

5. *Ordered*, That special instructors of commercial branches who, on September 1, 1902, were receiving a salary of fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500) per annum, continue on said salary until the third anniversary of their several appointments, when they shall be placed upon the fourth year of service in their rank.

6. *Ordered*, That instructors of commercial branches who, on September 1, 1902, were receiving a salary of twelve hundred dollars ($1,200) per annum, continue on said salary until the fifth anniversary of their several appointments, when they shall be placed upon the sixth year of service in their rank.

7. *Ordered*, That special teachers of physical training in High Schools who may be appointed during the year ending August 31, 1904, shall be paid at the rate of nine hundred dollars ($900) per annum.

8. *Ordered*, That those instructors in the Mechanic Arts High School who are required by the daily program to perform extra service outside of the regular school hours, be paid, in addition to the regular salaries of their respective ranks, at the rate of two dollars ($2.00) for each recitation period of extra service; with the exception of the teachers of shop work, who shall be paid, in addition to their regular salaries, at the rate of three dollars ($3.00) for each shop period of extra service; during such part of the year ending August 31, 1904, as such daily program requiring extra service may be continued.

9. *Ordered*, That John Tetlow be paid at the rate of four hundred twenty dollars ($420) per annum, in addition to the regular salary of his rank, for the year ending August 31, 1904.

10. *Ordered*, That Darius Hadley, Henry F. Sears, and Charles F. Kimball each be paid at the rate of one hundred twenty dollars ($120) per annum, in addition to the regular salary of their rank, on account of their long service in the public schools, for the year ending August 31, 1904.

11. *Ordered*, That James Frederick Hopkins, Director of Drawing, be paid at the rate of six hundred dollars ($600) per annum, in addition to his regular salary, for the supervision of the Evening Drawing Schools, for the year ending August 31, 1904.

12. *Ordered*, That Harriet E. Caryl, Assistant Principal, Girls' High School, be paid at the rate of one thousand twenty dollars ($1,020) per annum, for the year ending August 31, 1904; in accordance with the action taken May 12, 1903, granting said instructor leave of absence on half-pay for one year from September 1, 1903.

The report was accepted, and the orders laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on Rules and

Mr. Ernst, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — Jan. 21 — a petition

from Joseph Lee that such measures be taken as may be necessary to secure the enforcement of the laws, and the observance of the conditions imposed by the School Committee, with regard to the sale of newspapers, etc., by persons under fourteen years of age; and who, on April 14, were instructed to confer with the Board of Police Commissioners with a view to the better enforcement of the laws and regulations of this Board as to Minors' Licenses, reported that the matter has been brought to the attention of the Board of Police, who have granted this committee a hearing thereon, and no further action by this Board is now required.

Regulations; petition from Joseph Lee *et als.* regarding enforcement of laws; minors' licenses. [See p. 53.]

Accepted.

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, who were requested — Apr. 28 — to consider and report upon the expediency of complying with a request of the Board of Trustees for Children that the House of Reformation on Rainsford Island be placed on the same footing with respect to supervision by the Board of Supervisors as the Parental School, recommended the adoption of the following amendment to the Rules:

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; amendment of Sect. 75 of Rules. [See p. 175.]

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows:

SECT. 75. Insert after the word "practicable," in the second line the words: — also the Parental School and the House of Reformation on Rainsford Island, — so that the section will read as follows:

SECT. 75. They shall, under his direction, visit all the schools, day and evening, as often as practicable, also the Parental School and the House of Reformation on Rainsford Island, for the purpose of obtaining information regarding the efficiency of the teachers, the progress of the pupils, the observance of the Regulations and courses of study, and the general condition of the schools. The results of such visits, with such remarks, recommendations, and suggestions as may seem desirable, shall be reported to the Superintendent in such manner and at such times as he shall prescribe. Such reports shall be kept on file in the Superintendent's office, and open only to the inspection of the members of the Board.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; suspension of morning sessions on stormy mornings. [See p. 24.]

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, presented the following:

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — Jan. 28, 1902 — an order to amend Sect. 211 of the Regulations by striking out the provision therein for the suspension of the morning sessions of the public schools on account of stormy weather, and who — Feb. 11, 1902 — were requested to defer action on said order, and to whom, on Jan. 16, 1903, was referred a communication from the City Council relating to the system of signals for no-school sessions in stormy weather, — beg leave to report as follows:

There can be little doubt that if signals could be given with effect throughout the city, the rule as to the suspension of morning sessions in stormy weather should be allowed to stand. It needs no argument in its favor were it uniformly practicable, but the subject has been many times before the Board, and each time the plan has been deemed impossible of execution.

As far back as 1876 a regulation providing for no morning sessions in stormy weather was adopted, and, after a trial of one year, abolished. In 1886 and again in 1888 the matter was brought up, but in both instances because of the lack of facilities for giving the signal, the Board decided it to be impracticable.

In 1889 the Committee on Rules and Regulations reported in favor of the proposition, provided some suitable provision could be made to notify the parents and children, and recommended an order, which was passed by the Board, requesting the City Council to instruct the Fire Commissioners to supply additional fire-alarm bells in that section of the city in which the fire-alarm bells had been discontinued. Instead of complying with this request, the Fire Commissioners continued to extend their system of still alarms, and the giving of the signal became more and more difficult.

In 1894 the School Board again, after careful consideration of the matter, weighing the advantages of such a signal with the practical difficulties in carrying it out, decided against the plan. In 1897 the attention of the Board was called to the matter by the Common Council, and the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom the subject was referred, were unable to report any practicable arrangement for notifying parents and scholars, and gave it as their opinion that it was inexpedient to take any action in the matter. This report was accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

In 1901 the matter was once again considered and the Board felt that, notwithstanding the prior experience, there was so much in favor of the proposition that it was worth at least a trial, and the present rule as found in the last paragraph of Sect. 211, was adopted.

The rule has now been in existence for two winters and experience has demonstrated that in a large part of the city it works more harm than good. In parts of the city where the signals could be heard or where local substitutes have been devised, it may have worked successfully, but in a large part of the city it has been a complete failure In the entire city there are but eighteen fire-alarm bells in use. There is none at the West End, Back Bay, or South Boston, and in the long distance stretching from the Charles River at the North End, through the South End, Roxbury and Jamaica Plain, to Roslindale, there are but two,—one on the Lewis School-house in Dale st., and one at Jamaica Plain. Even where there are bells they cannot be heard in stormy weather at any distance when the wind is adverse.

A suggestion has been made that flashing the electric lights in the streets might be used as a signal. This would be impossible, without a special contract with the companies, as under the city's contract the electric current is turned off at dawn, and on the darkest winter days is never used later than 6 A.M. In the day the lines must be left free for employees to work in safety, trimmers going to work at 7 A.M. and linemen at 8 A.M. No doubt a special contract might be made, and an understanding had that on stormy mornings employees keep clear of the lines at the times when the signal might be expected; but, as there is always the chance of danger due to misunderstandings and to variance of watches, the committee are unwilling to recommend the plan, especially in view of the fact that the lights are not favorably located, most of them being on main thoroughfares, and children residing on side streets must go out in the storm to watch for the flashes, and thus would be as much exposed as if they went to school.

The committee have taken the opinion of the Superintendent, and he strongly favors a repeal of the rule. They also have asked the opinions of the masters upon the subject. These opinions vary, but more than one-half of the masters in the city are opposed to the rule. When it is considered that the rule, if effective, relieves the master as well as the scholar from attendance, this opinion from so many, involving as it does, a high degree of self-sacrifice, should have great weight.

The committee are of opinion that in the matter of attendance on stormy mornings much of necessity must be left to the discretion and good judgment of parents. The conditions in a city so widespread as Boston must vary with the locality. Some scholars live near the schools, some far away; some have easy conveyances, some none at all; some have warm and comfortable homes, and some are much better off in school. It is impossible to establish any rule which will fit all conditions. As the rule works at present, very many scholars, not hearing the signal,

come out in the storm, arrive at the school wet through only to be turned away, and remain on the streets exposed to the weather, or return to homes where there are no better facilities than those at school, if so good, for properly caring for them or their clothes. Where the weather is sufficiently severe to warrant the giving of the signal, a judicious parent, signal or no signal, will keep the child at home. Not all parents are judicious ; and no matter how severe the storm some will allow their children to go out. Such children should be sure, at least, of finding the school open and warm, a refuge from the storm, and certainly they are not likely to suffer at the hands of our faithful and humane corps of teachers.

As we have already said, if the rule could be made effective, we should favor its retention. In this matter we must deal, of necessity, with comparatives. From the logic of the situation we are unable to obtain what is best, and must content ourselves with what is practicable.

The committee recommend the adoption of the amendment contained in the appended order.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows :

SECT. 211. Strike out the second paragraph of said section.

The report was accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Revised course of study, High Schools.

Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books, submitted a revised course of study for the High Schools, as reported by the Board of Supervisors, and recommended its adoption by the Board.

Accepted, and the course of study adopted.

Mr. Bolster, for the same committee, offered the following :

Revised course of study for High Schools.

Ordered, That eight thousand copies of the course of study for High Schools (Document No. 9, 1901) as revised, be printed.

Laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on Courses of Study and Text-Books; approval of course of study, vacation schools. [See p. 203.]

Mr. Bolster, for the same committee, to whom was referred — May 26 — a course of study for the Vacation Schools for the current year, as prepared by the Board of Supervisors, reported that they have duly considered the same and recommend its adoption.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Bolster, for the same committee, who were requested — May 12 — to report upon the proposed eight-grade course of study for the Primary and Grammar Schools, reported that in view of the brief time afforded for the discussion of such an important and far-reaching measure, a majority of the committee feel that no action is at present advisable in the matter, and request they be allowed a longer time in which to prepare a final report on the subject.

Report of Committee on Courses of Study and Text-Books; proposed eight-grade course of study, primary and grammar schools. [See p. 194.]

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. McDonald, for the Committee on Drawing, reported that they have made arrangements with the Director of Drawing to secure a report upon the organization, operation, and courses of study of the evening drawing schools of England and also those of the city of Paris; this data to be secured without expense to the city. They would also announce that arrangements are completed for the exhibition of drawing in Boston primary, grammar, high, and evening schools on the occasion of the meeting of the National Educational Association in this city in July. As this local assignment of the Director of Drawing will keep him actively engaged until July 15, this committee recommend the passage of the following order:

Report of Committee on Drawing; leave of absence to Director of Drawing.

Ordered, That the Director of Drawing be granted leave of absence, without loss of pay, from Sept. 9 to Sept. 23, 1903.

Accepted, and the order passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Paine, for the Committee on the Normal School, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be informed that this Board hereby designates the Martin School District as the district within which the new Normal School shall be built.

Designation of district for new Normal School.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Paine, for the same committee, offered the following:

Leave of absence to Mary C. Shute and Caroline D. Aborn.

Ordered, That Mary C. Shute and Caroline D. Aborn, assistants in the Normal School, be granted leave of absence, without loss of pay, during the months of February, March, and April, 1904, for the purpose of attending a course of kindergarten training in Washington, D.C., to be given by Miss Blow.

Laid over to the next meeting.

Report of Committee on Ninth Division; establishment of kindergarten, Roger Wolcott District.

Mr. Merritt, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, a petition from Walter Curley *et als.*, for the establishment of a kindergarten in the vicinity of Blue Hill avenue and Walk Hill street, Dorchester, reported that they have considered the matter and find that there are a considerable number of children requiring kindergarten accommodations in that district. Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That an additional kindergarten be established in the Roger Wolcott District; and that the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to rent and fit up for such purpose the premises numbered 727 Walk Hill street, formerly occupied by a manual training school.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, the order was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Report of Committee on Ninth Division; death of William E. Endicott.

Mr. Merritt, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, reported the death of William E. Endicott, late master of the Christopher Gibson District, which occurred June 3, 1903.

Placed on file.

Mr. Merritt, for the same committee, offered the following:

Resolved, That the School Committee regrets the death of William E. Endicott, late master of the Christopher Gibson District, who taught continuously in the schools of Boston for more than a third of a century; who, in his youth, fought for the preservation of his country; who devoted the best of his life to the teaching of youth; who at all times gave faithful and honest service; who won the respect and esteem of his pupils, his teachers, and the residents of the district, who was loyal to his country, to his school, and to his friends. Resolutions on death of William E. Endicott.

Resolved, That by the death of Mr. Endicott the community loses a respected citizen, the district a good master, and the committee a faithful employee.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon the records of the committee and a copy thereof be sent to the family of Mr. Endicott.

Adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following:

Ordered, That the sum of twenty-nine dollars and eight cents ($29.08) be paid to Mr. F. R. Miller, for service as special laboratory assistant in the English High School from Nov. 11, 1902, to May 29, 1903. Payment to F. R. Miller.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, offered the following;

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings are hereby authorized to approve the payment of such sums to janitors as they may deem proper, of whom extra services may be required in connection with the vacation schools during the current summer, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate seven hundred dollars ($700). Payment to janitors for extra services in vacation schools.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Storrow, for the same committee, presented the following:

Report of Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings; establishment of educational centre, East Boston.

The Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, to whom was referred — from the files of last year — an order requesting them to consider the advisability of establishing educational centres in East Boston and Charlestown, beg leave to report on so much of the order as relates to East Boston, as follows:

On Mar. 12, your committee gave a hearing at which a large number of representative citizens of this district were present, including Mr. Keough of the Board, and after the close of the hearing many of those present proceeded to South Boston and spent the evening studying the operation of the Bigelow Centre. A number of the citizens of East Boston addressed the committee formally, urging the establishment of such a centre in East Boston, and there were many individual expressions of opinion to the same effect through the evening during the visit at the Bigelow Centre.

In conclusion, this committee beg to state that it seems clear from the testimony of those best acquainted with the local conditions, that the establishment of an educational centre in East Boston is highly desirable, and therefore recommend the reference of this report and the following order to the Committee on Accounts to determine whether in the opinion of that committee the finances of the School Committee will permit the establishment of an additional centre.

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings is authorized to start, not earlier than Oct. 1, 1903, an educational centre in East Boston, the expenditure therefor for the balance of the school year not to exceed fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500).

The report was accepted, and the order referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Clark, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, offered the following:

Payment to Blanche Tibbits.

Ordered, That there be paid to Blanche Tibbits the sum of twenty-four dollars ($24) in full for services as special assistant in music in the Prince District between Apr. 1 and May 20, 1903.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Brett offered the following:

Proposed amendment of Rules concerning non-resident instructors.

Ordered, That the Rules be amended so as to provide as follows: Every person not a resident of the City of Boston hereafter appointed as an instructor in the public schools, shall, within two months from the date of such appointment, acquire a domicile in said

city; and every resident of the city hereafter so appointed, and every person not a resident when appointed, after acquiring a domicile as above provided, shall continue to have a domicile in said city during employment as such instructor.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Brett offered the following:

Proposed amendment of Rules; credit allowed sub-masters for previous service.

Ordered, That the Rules be amended so as to carry into effect the recommendations of the Board of Supervisors relative to allowing to certain sub-masters hereafter appointed credit for previous service.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, the following order was taken from the table:

Appropriation for constructing and furnishing new school buildings. [See p. 208.]

Ordered, That the sum of $100,000 be appropriated for constructing and furnishing new school buildings, including the taking of land therefor, and for school yards for use.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, the order was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, the following order was taken from the table:

Annual appropriation order for maintenance of public schools. [See p. 168.]

Ordered, That the Board of Assessors be notified that the School Committee have appropriated under Chapter 400 of the Acts of 1898 as amended by Chapter 448 of the Acts of 1901, and under Chapter 170 of the Acts of 1903, the sum of $3,597,214 for the support of the public schools for the present financial year. Of this amount $3,505,586.71 should be included by their Board in the total amount to be raised by taxation, the balance, $91,627.29, to be obtained from the following-named sources: Estimated income to be received during the year ($45,000), excess of income in 1902–3 over the amount estimated ($6,732.04), and the unexpended balance at the close of the financial year 1902–3 ($39,895.25).

On motion of the same member, the order passed.

On motion of Mr. Brett, for the Committee on Evening Schools, it was

Committee on Evening Schools to report in print.

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools are hereby authorized to report in print upon the Free Public Lectures conducted under their direction.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following:

Proposed amendment to Rules; age limit for retirement of instructors.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to consider and report upon the advisability of establishing an age limit for the retirement of instructors; and further, whether instructors retired under the operation of such a rule should receive a pension.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the following order was taken from the table:

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows:

Amendment of Sec. 58 of Regulations; enforcement of Rules affecting instructors. [See p. 197.]

SECT. 58. Insert the following immediately after the word "executed" in the sixth line: — He may reprimand or suspend, with or without pay, for a period not exceeding one month, any instructor for due cause, and shall keep a record of all such cases, with the reasons for his action thereon, which shall be open to inspection by members of the Board, — so that the section shall read as follows:

SECT. 58. The Superintendent shall be the executive officer of the School Board in all matters relating to instruction. He shall see that all regulations of the Public Schools and all orders of the School Committee concerning the supervision, instruction, and management of the schools are executed. He may reprimand or suspend, with or without pay, for a period not exceeding one month, any instructor for due cause, and shall keep a record of all such cases, with the reason for his action thereon, which shall be open to inspection by members of the Board. He may appoint such clerical assistants as shall be necessary, subject to the approval of the Board.

The order passed.

Reports of Superintendent and Supervisors of Schools concerning Normal School. [See p. 216.]

In response to an inquiry by Mr. Paine, the Secretary stated that he had received reports from the Superintendent and from five Supervisors relative to the Normal School course, in response to the action taken by the Board at its last meeting.

Mr. Paine moved that the reading of the aforesaid reports be dispensed with, and that they be printed in the Minutes, together with the report from the sixth Supervisor, if received in season to be included with the others.

Mr. Casey moved as an amendment, that the reports now on file be kept secret until the reports of all the Supervisors shall be received, and upon the receipt of all reports, that they be printed and sent to the members of the Board.

The amendment was declared lost.

Mrs. Duff doubted the vote, and on her motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

Mr. Casey's amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey — 10.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Kenny, Keough, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel—14.

The question came on Mr. Paine's motion, which was declared passed.

Mrs. Duff doubted the vote, and on her motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

Mr. Paine's motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Kenny, Keough, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 15.

Nays: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, McDonald, and Merritt — 9.

Subsequently, Mr. Paine moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the foregoing motion was declared passed, hoping the same would not prevail.

Lost.

BOSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, June 9, 1903.

To the School Committee:

In obedience to the order of the School Committee, I herewith submit my reasons for favoring the amendments to the Rules and Regulations proposed for changing the course of study in the Normal School from two years to three, and for other purposes incidental thereto.

I take the several amendments in the order in which they appear in the Report of the Board of Supervisors.

Section 280.

I have two reasons for favoring the change in the length of the course of study from two years to three. First, the added time can be used in part to increase the scholarship and general culture of the young women who wish to become teachers in the primary and grammar schools. This is desirable because the more scholarly and cultivated the teacher, the better the effect of her work with the children. The effect of the proposed change will be to improve the schools through the appointment of more highly qualified teachers. Second, the added time can be used in part for giving the young women an opportunity to teach under careful and helpful supervision and thus to show whether or not they possess the ability to hold the attention of a class while giving instruction. This is desirable because the diploma of the Normal School ought to be more of a testimonial to the possession of teaching ability than it now is or can be under existing arrangements, and because the half year of actual teaching under the conditions suggested will diminish the chances of subsequent failure and so save the schools in some measure from the ill consequences of such failures. This apprentice teaching, as it is called, has been found to promote in a marked degree an early success of beginners in teaching. It is the best means yet discovered to secure that end.

Therefore, I favor the proposed amendment to Section 280. I do not consider it necessary to say that the proposed three years' course should be adopted on trial, because all new plans are necessarily on trial. I recommend, simply, that it be adopted.

Sections 289 and 290.

My reasons for favoring the plan set forth in the proposed Sections 289 and 290 are that it has been found to work well in other places, and that it is economical.

The payment of the training teachers appears to be essential because experienced teachers can hardly be expected to undertake the task of training young teachers without suitable en-

couragement. The payment of the pupil-teachers appears to be justifiable on the ground that by taking the place of half their number of regular teachers for the time being their services are of some value to the city; and moreover expedient on the ground that the moderate stipend received by them would in part replace the earnings the graduates of the two years' course now expect to make in their first year after graduation.

It has been suggested that a better plan would be to assign only one pupil-teacher at a time to a training teacher and to give only one room to this training teacher with her pupil-teacher to take care of. A better plan, but more costly, unless the training teachers were willing to assume an added responsibility without extra compensation, which is unlikely. At any rate it would hardly be worthy of the city to ask the best teachers to do so.

Section 291.

The course of study in the Normal School should be made and published in the same form as are the courses of study in the other schools. It is out of place in the Regulations. All other courses have been removed from the Regulations, for greater facility for dealing with them in the way of revision. The Normal School course needs considerable revision, and can more readily be revised if removed from the Regulations as suggested.

Section 281.

Omission of the words "with diploma."

Occasionally will be found a candidate for admission who has had a course of study equivalent and more than equivalent to the four-years' course of study in the public high schools of Boston, although without a diploma. Such cases have occurred. For example, a young woman having spent a year in college leaves for lack of means and proposes to enter the Normal School. She entered college and spent a year there but happens not to have been prepared in a public high school and has no diploma. For another example, a young woman spent five years in a good high school and was a good scholar in all the studies she took ; but as she did not select precisely those studies which were prescribed for one of the three courses leading to a diploma, she was technically a special student, not a candidate for a diploma, and received no diploma ; but she was unquestionably well fitted to enter the Normal School.

These cases are not numerous; but if the words "with diploma" be insisted on, the Normal School will occasionally lose a good student and the schools a good teacher — one of more than ordinary culture.

Section 282.

If a young woman has failed twice to accomplish a year's work in a satisfactory manner, it will be a kindness to her and an advantage to the schools to oblige her to seek an occupation other than teaching.

Section 285.

Strike out the second paragraph, because the same provision is made elsewhere — viz., in Section 281.

Section 286.

There is no reason why the head master should make an annual printed report to the Superintendent. He will make a report when called upon to do so; and it will be printed in the Supplement to the Superintendent's Report, where other similar reports are printed.

Section 287.

Strike out. Because it provides a double supervision for certain teachers, which is unnecessary; and because it takes the teachers of the Normal School beyond their proper function, which relates them only to pupils in the Normal School and not to teachers in the service.

Section 288.

Reduce the time given to the present form of observation and practice teaching, in case the proposed plan of pupil-teachers is adopted; otherwise let this section go unamended.

Sections 147 and 169.

Two or even more masters are desirable in this school to give greater breadth and strength to the teaching.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN P. SEAVER,

Superintendent of Public Schools.

BOSTON, June 9, 1903.

To the School Committee:

In response to your request, under date of May 26, 1903, for an opinion relative to the Boston Normal School, I beg to say that on May 24, 1898, I was requested by vote of the School Committee to give an opinion relative to the surrender of that school to the State (Minutes of the School Committee, 1898, p. 310), and I then stated that I was in favor of such action. Permit me to add that I have seen no reason to change my mind in that respect.

I am of the opinion that a two-years' course for the training of teachers for elementary schools is sufficient to prepare students of good ability to begin the work of teaching. For the

less apt students, however, more practice than is at present provided in a two-years' course is highly desirable ; but too much emphasis cannot be placed upon the fact that the most lamentable failures in teaching are due to defects in temperament and personality which cannot be removed by professional training, however extended.

I believe that an extension of the course would be more satisfactorily secured by the natural process of development, rather than by positive requirements. The opportunity to continue normal studies for a half year, or a full year, would prove of great service to candidates who would elect such a course, and it is highly desirable that those who wish to do so should have the privilege of returning to the Normal School for further study after a year or more of practice in teaching. The number of those who would voluntarily undertake such additional training would be greatly increased if an incentive were offered in the form of remuneration for service as practice teachers, and preference with regard to appointments on account of demonstrated power. It is well to encourage the continued study which produces higher culture and greater maturity of judgment, for these qualities secure increased respect on the part of the public for the members of the teaching profession.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. CONLEY, *Supervisor.*

To the School Committee :

In response to your request, I submit herein my opinion concerning the proposed plan to lengthen and expand the course in the Boston Normal School.

I assume that, having repeatedly during the last fifty years reaffirmed its purpose to maintain a normal school, the city will continue to maintain it.

Under this assumption I have favored the plan now under discussion as a natural and inevitable step in the development of the school. When the school was established as a separate institution in 1872 its course of study was covered in one year. Since that time public education has been steadily growing more complex, and the demands upon teachers more exacting.

To meet the new demands more time for preparation has been found necessary, and the course has been lengthened first to a year and a half and then to two years. I believe the time has come for a further extension.

This is needed primarily for two purposes. The school has always been weak on the practice side. No adequate means have ever been provided for subjecting the normal students to actual school-room tests. The work now done under the name of

"observation and practice" is better than none, but it has never been considered satisfactory.

The faculty of the Normal School in recommending and the Board of Supervisors in granting diplomas of graduation and certificates of qualification have realized that the most important element in forming their judgment was wanting. The power of the students to control and to influence classes, the indispensable element of success in teaching, had never been tested nor measured.

Consequently, numbers of students have been graduated who have failed when subjected to actual school-room tests. Some of these have been excellent scholars, and have gone out from the Normal School with honors and with high hopes. Others have been graduated about whose success there were doubts, but their weakness had not been proven, and they were given the benefit of the doubt.

These facts explain the considerable number of normal graduates who remain unplaced for years. They cannot do the work demanded of them. They are not strong enough to hold the places. This is especially true of the large classes in the boys' schools. So these girls are tossed from school to school until they happen to find a place easy enough for them to stay in.

These facts are well known to all familiar with school conditions. They do not reflect upon the Normal School, nor upon the school system. They are not peculiar to Boston. Every normal school in the country has had a similar experience, and they have all been devising methods to remove the difficulty.

The proposed lengthening of our Normal School course is primarily to strengthen the work at this point. The added year gives an opportunity for each student to be tested by five months of school-room experience. This experience is to be gained under the daily inspection of a skilled teacher.

The plan contemplates one such director to each two students. This I consider the vital feature of the scheme. It combines two essential features of normal training, individual personal responsibility for the care and control of a class, and constant oversight for criticism and suggestion. One is as important as the other. The antiquated objection against "children being experimented on" has no force in this connection, for these students will have had as much training as all the normal graduates now have.

The system has come into general use, and the results are satisfactory. Where there has been failure, it has been due to faulty administration.

Another feature of the new plan is the opportunity afforded to train special teachers. The kindergarten and the various forms of physical and manual training have become integral parts of the educational system. As they have become more highly de-

veloped they demand more highly trained teachers. Such teachers are needed, not only for the day schools, but for the new work in vacation schools and educational centres. No adequate provision has ever been made by the city for these positions. A three-years' course would afford time for this work. It cannot be done well in less time.

The new course offers other advantages, but these two alone seem to me ample to justify the proposed change; more than this, to make it imperative.

I do not see that we can consider the measure, either in support or opposition, from the standpoint of the normal students. The school does not exist for them. It is not supported in the interest of a hundred girls who want to earn a livelihood by teaching, but in the interest of the 90,000 children who are entitled to the best teaching which the city money can buy.

It is for the city, through its school committee, to say what qualifications it shall require in its teachers. It is for the teachers to meet the requirements.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. MARTIN.

Boston, June 2, 1903.

To the School Committee:

The following report on the normal school question is respectfully submitted:

I judge from the form of the motion, requesting our individual opinions, that a free and frank expression is desired by the Board.

I shall consider only the main points of the question as presented by the committee.

I do not at this time discuss the question whether the State or the city should control the Normal School. That has been settled by a vote of the Board. Furthermore, I gave my opinion then that it would be better for the school and also for the pupils if it were under State control. The question as now presented suggests three main points: The course of study, the employment of training teachers, the training of pupil-teachers and their compensation.

The length of the course of study, and the scope of it, is perhaps the most important matter to be considered. I am free to say that a rigid, hard-and-fast three years' course does not appeal to me as the wisest plan. It is contrary to the universal practice adopted in all the normal schools in the country where students are being fitted to teach in the elementary grades. I should prefer a two years'-course for those preparing to teach in the elementary grades, and a four-years' course for those preparing to teach in high schools.

When we consider the careful and thorough preparation provided in our schools, from the kindergarten to the high school —

viz., one year in the kindergarten, three years in the primary, six years in the grammar, and four years in high school, and that at the end an examination is held for a final careful selection of the most worthy students, — it seems to me that we ought to expect that a certain number in every class should be ready to do excellent work in our schools after two years of professional training, or in even less time in some rare cases, and experience has verified this expectation.

I plead not so much for a definite time limit as for the recognition of the principle — more and more recognized of late in educational practice — that it is the quality of the work and the capabilities of the worker that demand our attention. Improve the quality of the work all along the line rather than extend the length of the course, unless we are willing to open the entire field of teaching to the graduates. Experience has repeatedly shown that the quality of educational work can never be measured by the time it takes to do it, but rather by the interest developed while doing it. If our normal girls are weak in any subject, then improve the teaching of that subject in every school below the Normal School rather than lengthen the normal course.

I believe more actual practice in teaching might be taken earlier by a rearrangement of the course. Some of the students seem to possess from the start the natural teaching ability so much desired, and a fair degree of scholarship besides. I object to the requirement of a rigid, inflexible course anywhere in our system; the course should be made for the students, not the students for the course. The old idea that our schools are for the greatest good of the greatest number is pernicious in the extreme. On the contrary, we should hold that the schools are for the greatest good of each individual. The Normal School is carried on solely for the benefit of the city, and that benefit can be secured only by obtaining for each individual in the school the best possible training in the shortest possible time.

In the Normal School, as in other schools, we have over-elaborated the work. There are certain well-known principles of teaching which apply equally to all subjects, and if once comprehended and appropriated by the student it would seem unnecessary to take up all the subjects in detail merely to inform the student of the various methods and devices of instruction in each particular subject (art or science). In other words, less elaboration of detail would save time and tend to improve the work.

I understand that the boys graduated from one of our high schools rank among the best at Harvard. They have had only the same amount of training in time which our girls receive before entering the Normal School, and in three years some of them finish the college course.

In the able and interesting report just issued from this office,

the statement is made in regard to the Normal School that "its standards of scholarship have steadily been raised." "The school has done much excellent work, steadily improving in character, and never more than at present." If that is the case, and we all believe it to be true, then is it unreasonable to maintain that the city should have the benefit of the teaching power of the abler members of the class before the end of three years?

Because some of the students need more time and maturer development, and would profit greatly by additional training, is that a good reason why all should be kept longer in the school?

I know, from my personal experience as master and supervisor, that every year each class from the Normal School contains a certain number of very promising young teachers, who do excellent work from the beginning. Every class in the past has had those students in it, and it is fair to presume that every class in the future will contain a goodly number. The sooner the city can procure the services of such persons the better. After a reasonable course of professional training they are well fitted by education and natural endowments to do splendid work.

The one thing needed more than anything else by all normal graduates and teachers is a better knowledge of children, and how to teach, manage, and influence them, individually and collectively.

It is claimed that the normal training has been weak on the "practice" side of the work. If this is the case, then the remedy should be applied earlier, as is done at many normal schools, and should be continued during the entire course.

The training school should be a model school and training school combined, and should be a mixed school of boys and girls, with land sufficient to well illustrate the nature-work by outdoor lessons to the normal students.

I believe the training teachers selected should have additional compensation granted to insure the high-grade work necessary.

The pupil-teachers should be paid, because it will tend to increase the efficiency of their work. These pupil-teachers are educated by the city, primarily, not for their own good, but for the city's benefit, and anything that will promote that should be done.

In summing up the whole matter allow me to add that I firmly believe that a reasonable time limit has already been reached, and that if any of the pupils in the Normal School cannot do the work required, then we should concentrate our thought and action on improving the work of preparation or make a more rigid selection after the completion of the course, and not take the less difficult and more expensive alternative of extending the length of the course itself.

Yours respectfully,

WALTER S. PARKER.

BOSTON, MASS., June 8, 1903.

To the Members of the School Committee of the City of Boston:

In response to your recent communication requesting supervisors to express opinions relative to the proposed extension of the normal school course, I respectfully submit the following statement:

PRELIMINARY.

It is my belief that the immediate and remote educational interests of this city would be best served by the substitution of a State normal school located in Boston for the existing city normal school. This opinion is based in the main on the following considerations:

1. The governing boards of State schools are more permanent than those controlling city schools. Under State supervision, therefore, there is greater likelihood of securing a constant and independent educational and administrative policy than can be maintained under city control with annually changing school boards.

2. State normal schools are more likely to be adequately and liberally equipped than are city normal schools. A normal school building should be so constructed that it may meet widely diversified and highly specialized needs; it should contain accommodations for both children and adults, up-to-date laboratories, class-rooms for kindergarten, training, model and normal classes; a well-furnished library and good gymnasium should be added, together with offices and other essential features. The construction and maintenance of such a building brings its expense up to an amount which cities are unwilling to grant.

3. At the present time Boston furnishes a considerable part of the money supporting State normal schools. Its large number of children and its need for supplying two thousand teachers for their instruction seem to demand a local opportunity for training teachers at State expense in return for its contribution to State taxes.

Summarizing the above, it is believed that a State normal school is preferable to a city normal school, because its control is more permanent, its policy is likely to be less fluctuating, its standards more independent and its equipment superior; its support is justified by the city's contribution to the State's expenditure for educational purposes.

ACTUAL ISSUES.

Turning to some of the questions now at issue:

1. I hold that the extension of the normal school course to three years promises to improve present conditions. It is

evident that the time element in education is an important one; the tendency of professional schools for teachers is to increase the length of the course, raise standards, and broaden the scope of their endeavor.

An enriched course of study will give greater intellectual power and prolonged training, and increased independence in teaching cannot fail to add to the efficiency of graduates from the normal school.

2. I understand that the proposed publication of the normal school course of study as a separate school document gives a favorable opportunity for revision of the same, and also that the curriculum to be followed in the normal school is not determined by any amendment or motion now pending. I am unable to endorse the curriculum proposed on page 420 of the School Committee Minutes of 1902.

3. In regard to the plan for placing pupil-teachers in the schools:

(*a.*) I should like to see added to the present scheme some centralizing features.

(*b.*) I object to the clause in Section 289 which provides that each training teacher be given charge of *two* classes of children to be taught by pupil-teachers. Objection to this arrangement is based on the opinion that it submits the children involved to an excessive amount of inexperienced teaching.

4. All training teachers should receive additional compensation. Their work demands not only rare skill, but it constantly calls for time out of school hours.

5. In providing a training which has a money value, the city compensates all pupil-teachers for their services. I do not believe, therefore, that they should be paid while in training.

6. I am of the opinion that it is desirable to have as members of the normal school faculty more than two persons whose educational qualifications and experience admit them to examination for the master's certificate. I believe that some of the instructors thus qualified should be women.

Very truly yours,

ELLOR E. CARLISLE.

BOSTON, June 3, 1903.

To the School Committee:

In answer to the order of May 26, 1903, requesting the individual opinions of the members of the Board of Supervisors in regard to the proposed modifications of the normal school, I make the following reply:

The question before the School Committee is: What action in regard to the normal school will best promote the welfare of the

public schools of Boston? From the discussion which preceded the passing of the order to which this is a reply, I understand that the School Committee is more concerned with adopting a general plan that will be sound than with determining the merits of special and minor details connected with any plan which has been, or may be, proposed. Such parts of any plan as experience shall show to be unsatisfactory can be modified or omitted, but no permanent solution of the problem can be reached unless the general principle upon which it is based shall be valid.

Such a general answer to the question may be given either from an educational or from a financial point of view. It seems plain to me that the answer in both cases is that the schools of Boston will derive the most benefit if the city shall cease to maintain a normal school.

In advocating the discontinuance of the city normal school I am not criticizing the present management of the school or the teachers in it. From the educational point of view this answer does not depend upon either the efficiency of the normal school or the expense of maintaining it. No matter how satisfactory or unsatisfactory the work of the normal school may be, no matter how much or how little it may cost, no matter how strong the institutional pride of its graduates may be, it still remains a fact that it is not the function of the city to provide normal training, and that for this reason the normal school should not be continued as a municipal institution.

It is the function of the State and not of the city to provide suitable training for teachers. Only when the State fails to do this is the city justified in assuming an obligation not primarily its own in order to protect the children in its schools. It is probable that such a need existed in the past, and that the normal school has served a useful purpose, but it cannot now be said that Massachusetts is failing to furnish adequate facilities for the training of teachers, or that it has hesitated to increase these facilities whenever there has seemed to be need of such action. The State has been very liberal towards the normal schools, and there is no reasonable doubt that the discontinuance of the city normal school would at once be followed by the establishing of a State normal school in Boston. The means of accomplishing this in such a way that the Boston girls who desire to become teachers shall not in any way be harmed or even for a time be compelled to leave home in order to obtain normal instruction, and a method of providing places elsewhere in the city system for efficient teachers now connected with the city normal school can without doubt be readily devised.

It is not necessary to discuss at length the evident advantages which a State institution will have over the present city normal school or even over any normal school which the city may estab-

lish. Many of these advantages will arise from financial conditions, and because by the order of March 10, 1903, the whole matter was referred to the Board of Supervisors I venture to comment on the financial side of the question.

There is great need of such a flexibility in the schools that each pupil shall pass continuously and consecutively through the course at a rate of progress suited to his individual ability. To make such flexibility a generally established fact, rather than a condition limited to a few districts as at present, will require the division of each grade into sections, and should be accompanied by a reduction in the number of pupils assigned to each teacher. The $28,000 now expended in maintaining the normal school could be used with advantage in thus reducing the number of pupils assigned to each teacher. In this connection it will more nearly fit future conditions to consider a much larger sum than $28,000 as the annual cost of a city normal school. For if the city maintains a normal school at all it should be of the best. The present salary schedule is so small as to appear ridiculous. A proper increase in the salary schedule so that it shall at least equal that of our best high schools, the natural growth of the school, and the increased cost of maintenance in the proposed new building should make the annual cost of a city normal school more than double the present amount.

Also the large sum which the Schoolhouse Commissioners are about to expend on a site and building for the normal school could, if the normal school should be discontinued, find immediate and profitable use in providing additional rooms for which there is so great a need.

Furthermore, when we consider that the City of Boston for the year 1903 pays over 36 per cent. of the State tax, and so contributes approximately $106,500 to the support of the ten State normal schools now in operation, it seems that the taxpayers may fairly question the justice of the expenditure of $28,000, or any other sum, for the maintenance of a school which is no longer needed, and which may be discontinued not only without detriment to the children in the schools or to the girls who wish to become teachers, but rather to the positive advantage of both. It seems fair for Boston to claim that its contribution of over one-third of all the money expended for the ten normal schools of the State entitles it to a State normal school within its borders wherein the young men and women of Boston may prepare for positions as teachers in the public schools.

On May 24, 1898, the School Committee voted to discontinue the city normal school. It seems to me that all actions since that time have been in the nature of unnecessary compromises. The reasons which have caused a reversal of that decision either are not valid or no longer exist, and the best interests of the

schools and of the taxpayers will be served by again voting to discontinue the city normal school.

Even if the city should choose the less effective and more expensive course and continue to maintain a city normal school, I shall still be opposed to the three-year course, because I believe that better results will come from a more extensive reorganization of the normal school than can come from the proposed addition to, or modifications of, the present course.

This reorganization should include: The establishing of such a salary schedule as will attract and retain the best men and women in the country; the building up of a new model school; the providing of facilities for practice teaching either in the model school or in the regular schools; a proper adjustment of the academic and professional work within the course; the determining of entrance requirements so as to make the work of the high school most effective for the purposes of the normal school; a scheme for regulating the admissions in accordance with city needs; and especially a way of limiting the graduation to those who in personality and temperament are fitted for the work of teaching.

STRATTON D. BROOKS.

To the School Board of the City of Boston:

In response to your order of May 26, 1903, I respectfully submit the following report on the proposed changes in the normal school course.

Yours truly,

MAURICE P. WHITE.

1. I believe the course should be extended to three years.

The purpose of the Normal School must necessarily be threefold, viz.: to furnish academical study; to furnish pedagogical study; and to develop intellectual power.

In many of the studies, the only knowledge the pupils have is what they remember from the grammar schools, and that has been dissipated by four years' study of other subjects, most of which they will never be expected to teach.

Of course, the knowledge of even the ablest grammar school graduate of a subject like arithmetic is entirely too meagre for a teacher. I believe a considerable time should be spent in the Normal School in the study of reading, arithmetic, geography, grammar, history, and physiology.

The methods of teaching, with history of education and psychology, cannot be taught profitably until the pupils have a thorough knowledge of the subjects treated. And, while these latter subjects are being pursued, the former should also be studied more deeply until the pupil has a fuller knowledge than she would ever expect her grammar school pupils to have.

The *theory* of teaching is of very little use unless it is made practical. In our present system, the Normal School pupils have no means of satisfactorily knowing, or showing, whether they can make it practical or not. Observation is not practice. They can feel no sense of responsibility for the progress of the class and the development of the individual pupils. They should have an opportunity to test their ability to teach, and for this purpose they should have several months in order to become acquainted with their pupils, note the progress made, study the needs of each, and devise ways of awakening each one's active interest, and in the proposed plan this is done under the guidance of our most expert teachers.

From no other source do we take teachers into the Boston schools without some years of experience. For our high schools we demand a college education, and at least three years' experience. We issue certificates of qualification, after examination, to graduates of other normal schools of this State, but, as a matter of fact, teachers are not taken into our schools from outside until they have had several years of practice. From our own Normal School we take them in without any experience worth the name.

In other lines of work men are obliged to spend a considerable time in working up to the full exercise of their vocations. In the professions, in the trades, in nearly all of the mercantile and industrial lines of work, men are obliged to show by long experience their fitness for their work.

To pay a smaller salary to beginners is not sufficient. The children should not be placed under an utterly inexperienced teacher who has not shown her ability to teach. Ability to *learn* as a pupil is not a guarantee of ability to *teach*.

Moreover, besides the gain in knowledge and experience, the third year gives a greater development of power. It is the development of mental power that enables a teacher to adapt herself to new conditions. The one of less power may be able to run along in a rut and to do the same work over and over again, but only one who is what we call educated, or developed, can take up new problems and adapt one's work to the various demands of the times.

By extending the course to three years we give the young teachers a broader knowledge of the subjects they are to teach, we give them experience under expert guidance, and, better still, we develop to a greater extent their *power to grow*.

Our *chief* care should be for the *pupils*, the *children* of the city, and as soon as these young ladies enter the Normal School, which is a technical school, while we give them the best advantages possible, our chief consideration should be the children, their future pupils, and regard the normal school pupils as *teachers in training*.

2. I believe that training teachers should be appointed for the purpose and under the conditions described in the proposed amendment to Section 289, and that it is essential to the success of the plan that these teachers receive extra pay for their services, not merely on account of extra work and responsibility involved, but in order to secure teachers of rare power.

3. I believe the pupil-teachers should receive some compensation during their practice, and in other respects should be treated as teachers, because I believe it would add to their sense of responsibility in their work, and would be an important step in their training — a step between pupil and teacher.

4. I believe the courses of study should be arranged by the Superintendent and Supervisors and approved by the Board, and should be published in the same form as other courses of study are published — as a school document.

BOSTON, June 8, 1903.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Conference on Music in High Schools; study of music in High Schools.

BOSTON (West Somerville Station), MASS., June 1, 1903.

MR. GRAFTON D. CUSHING,
President of the School Committee,
Mason street, Boston, Mass.:

DEAR SIR, — We beg leave to transmit to you the following minute adopted by the Conference on Music Study in High Schools at its last session, held on May 30, 1903, in Boston.

Respectfully yours,
H. C. MACDOUGALL, *Chairman.*
W. SCOTT, *Secretary.*

The Conference on Music Study in High Schools at its session in Boston on May 30, 1903, adopted the following minute to be forwarded to the School Committee of the City of Boston:

Resolved, That this Conference respectfully commends to the careful consideration of the members of the School Committee of Boston the recommendation of Mr. E. P. Seaver, Superintendent of the Boston Public Schools, respecting a better recognition and treatment of the subject of music in the High Schools of said city, given on page 126, Recommendation No. 6, of late report, viz.: "That an Elective in Music, to be given at least three hours a week, with instruction of a high grade, be allowed in the High Schools."

The Conference believes such a course is in the interest of the pupils in the schools, and an important step in the development of a more comprehensive and adaptive system of public instruc-

tion. The Conference also begs leave to add that, in its opinion, the times are favorable for the adoption of such a course as is suggested by Supt. Seaver, and that the City of Boston may render a valuable service to educational progress by appropriate action as above indicated.

The following were present at the session of the conference:

Prof. Leo Lewis, Professor of Music, Tufts College.

Prof. W. R. Spalding, Professor of Music, Harvard University.

Prof. H. C. Macdougall, Professor of Music, Wellesley College.

Prof. S. W. Cole, New England Conservatory of Music.

Prof. E. D. Hale, New England Conservatory of Music.

Prof. Carl Faelten, Faelten School of Music.

Prof. R. Faelton, Faelten School of Music.

Mr. C. B. Cady, Teacher of Music, Boston.

Mr. A. L. Manchester, President Music Teachers' National Association, Wellesley Hills, Mass.

Mr. J. M. McLaughlin, Director of Music, Boston.

Dr. A. Gore Mitchell, Instructor in Music, Boston.

Mrs. E. D. Hosmer, Supervisor of Music, Lynn.

Mr. J. L. Gibb, Supervisor of Music, Dedham.

Mr. W. Scott, Secretary, New England Education League.

Referred to the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books.

The following petition was read:

Petition from R. Brindisi *et als.* for employment of Italian speaking truant officer.

BOSTON, June 8, 1903.

To the Honorable School Committee of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — We, the undersigned, citizens and residents of Boston, respectfully petition your honorable board for the appointment of a person to act in the capacity of a truant officer who possesses a knowledge of the Italian language and of the customs of the Italian people.

The great influx of immigrants who are now arriving in Boston directly from Italy, and the vast numbers already here, numbering between thirty-five and forty thousand, make it apparent that provision should be made for the care of the children of these classes by some one who is capable of speaking their language and who understands their ways.

Believing that a great advantage could be obtained by such an appointment, and also deeming it a necessity, we beg that this petition receive your earnest and careful consideration.

R. BRINDISI
and 85 others.

Referred to the Committee on Truant Officers.

The following communication was read :

Communication from Republic newspaper; fund for annual school festival.

THE REPUBLIC,
15 SCHOOL STREET, BOSTON, June 9, 1903.

To the School Committee, City of Boston, Mass.:

GENTLEMEN, — In view of the proposed abandonment of the Annual School Festival by the School Committee, by reason of lack of funds, the Republic newspaper of Boston will guarantee to raise the amount necessary to carry on the exhibition as in former years if the program is arranged and carried out under the direction of your honorable body.

We think the citizens of Boston will be very glad to contribute to a cause as worthy as this, and we sincerely trust that the School Committee can see its way clear to accept this offer.

For the Republic newspaper,
JOHN F. FITZGERALD,
Publisher.

Mr. Storrow moved that the aforesaid communication be referred to a special committee of three, to be appointed by the Chair, with full powers.

Mr. Pierce moved, as an amendment, that consideration of the matter be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Pierce's motion to amend was declared lost.

Mr. Pierce doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The motion to amend was lost by the following vote :

Yeas and nays.

Yeas : Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Ellis, Gallivan, Merritt, and Pierce — 6.

Nays : Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Mulvey, Paine, Storrow, and Vogel — 16.

Not voting : Mrs. Duff and Mr. Ernst.

Mr. Storrow's motion passed.

The Chair appointed as such committee James J. Storrow, *Chairman ;* Messrs. Casey and Kenny.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, offered the following :

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted L. Idalia Provan, assistant, Primary School, Longfellow District, from June 9 to 19, 1903, inclusive.

Leave of absence to L. Idalia Provan.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALDEN PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON MASS. 21

In School Committee, June 23, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members.

On motion of Mr. McDonald, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Approval of appointments and transfers laid over.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments and transfers of instructors, as presented at the last meeting.

The appointments and transfers were approved.

REAPPOINTMENTS OF INSTRUCTORS.

Reappointments of instructors. [See pp. 228-230.]

The Chair stated the question was on approving the reappointments of instructors to serve during the pleasure of the School Committee, and for the term ending Aug. 31, 1904, as presented at the last meeting, all of said reappointments to date from Sept. 1, 1903; and the Board proceeded to act thereon as follows:

To serve during the pleasure of the School Committee.

Brighton High School. — Frederic A. Tupper, Head-master.

South Boston High School. — Augustus D. Small, Head-master.

Dudley District. — Abram T. Smith, Master.

Lewis District. — Charles C. Haines, Master.

Phillips Brooks District. — Henry B. Hall, Master.

The appointments were approved by the following vote:

Yeas and nays. *Yeas:* Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Merritt, Paine, Pierce, and Storrow — 18.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Brett, Burrill, Casey, McDonald, Mulvey, and Vogel.

To serve during the pleasure of the School Committee.

Instructor of Military Drill. — George H. Benyon.

The appointment was approved by the following vote:

Yeas and nays. *Yeas:* Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Merritt Paine, Pierce, and Storrow — 18.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Brett, Burrill, Casey, McDonald, Mulvey, and Vogel.

For the term ending Aug. 31, 1904.

Public Latin School. — Arthur I. Fiske, Head-master.

English High School. — John F. Casey, Head-master.

Franklin District. — Seth Sears, Master.

Lincoln District. — William E. Perry, Master.

Winthrop District. — Emily F. Carpenter, Master.

Director of Physical Training. — James B. Fitzgerald.

The appointments were approved by the following vote:

Yeas and nays. *Yeas:* Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 20.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Brett, Burrill, Casey, and McDonald.

For the term ending Aug. 31, 1904.

Dorchester High School. — Mabel S. Morse, special teacher of physical training.

East Boston High School. — Sarah H. Jacobus, special teacher of physical training.

Girls' High School. — Edith T. Sears, special teacher of physical training.

Roxbury High School. — Florence L. Carter, assistant to the teacher of physical training.

South Boston High School. — Blanche A. Bemis, special teacher of physical training.

West Roxbury High School. — Catharine L. Bigelow, special teacher of physical training.

On Probation.

Assistants to the Director of Physical Training. — Gordon Trowbridge, Nathaniel J. Young.

The appointments were approved by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas : Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 22.

Absent or not voting : Messrs. Burrill and Casey.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the reappointments of the subordinate teachers of the several Normal, Latin, High, Grammar, Primary, and Kindergarten Schools, to serve during the pleasure of the School Committee, and for the term ending Aug. 31, 1904, as contained and specified in School Document No. 5, 1903, "Appointments for Re-election."

Mr. Bolster offered the following:

Employment of teachers in excess of number allowed by Regulations.

Ordered, That teachers in excess of the number allowed by the Regulations, in accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, as contained and specified in School Document No. 5, 1903, "Appointments for Re-election," be allowed for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1904.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Bolster offered the following:

Employment of teachers in excess of number allowed by Regulations.

Ordered, That the employment of teachers now in the service, in excess of the number allowed by the Regulations, as follows:

Charlestown High School — One junior master, one assistant;
Harvard District — One assistant, Primary School;
Warren District — One assistant, Grammar School;

and of the following teacher of higher rank than the Regulations permit, viz.,

Bunker Hill District — One first assistant, Grammar School,

is hereby authorized for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1904.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Bolster offered the following:

Employment of teachers with higher rank than Regulations allow.

Ordered, That teachers with higher rank than the Regulations allow, in accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, as contained and specified in School Document No. 5, 1903, "Appointments for Re-election," be continued in the service for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1904.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Bolster offered the following:

Ungraded classes in excess of number allowed by Regulations.

Ordered, That ungraded classes in excess of the number allowed by the Regulations as specified in School Document No. 5, 1903, "Appointments for Re-election," are hereby allowed for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1904.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

The reappointments, as contained and specified in said document, were thereupon approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Appointments of Principals of Evening Schools.

The Chair stated the question was on the approval of the following appointments of principals of Evening Schools for the term 1903–04, as presented at the last

meeting; said appointments to date from Sept. 28, 1903:

Evening High School. — Fred A. Fernald, Boston, Head-master.

Bowdoin School. — W. Hector S. Kollmyer, Boston.

Comins School. — John E. Butler, Boston.

Dearborn School. — John S. Richardson, Boston.

Eliot School. — Walter Mooers, Arlington.

Franklin School. — Gustavus F. Guild, Medford.

Lincoln School. — James H. Gormley, Boston.

Lyman School. — Henry H. Folsom, Somerville.

Mather School. — Orris L. Beverage, Boston.

Norcross School. — Caspar Isham, Boston.

Quincy School. — Alanson H. Mayers, Boston.

Warren School. — James H. Leary, Boston.

Washington Allston School. — George E. Murphy, Boston.

Wells School. — Charles E. Harris, Boston.

The appointments were approved by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 22.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Burrill and Casey.

The following orders successively took their second readings, and passed:

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows:

Amendment of Sect. 75 of Rules; supervision of Parental School and House of Reformation, Rainsford Island. [See p. 243.]

SECT. 75. Insert after the word "practicable," in the second line the words: — also the Parental School and the House of Reformation on Rainsford Island, — so that the section will read as follows:

SECT. 75. They shall, under his direction, visit all the schools, day and evening, as often as practicable, also the Parental School and the House of Reformation on Rainsford Island, for the purpose of obtaining information regarding the efficiency of the teachers, the progress of the pupils, the observance of the

Regulations and courses of study, and the general condition of the schools. The results of such visits, with such remarks, recommendations, and suggestions as may seem desirable, shall be reported to the Superintendent in such manner and at such times as he shall prescribe. Such reports shall be kept on file in the Superintendent's office, and open only to the inspection of the members of the Board.

Amendment of Sect. 211 of Regulations; suspension of morning sessions on stormy days. [See p. 246.]

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 211. Strike out the second paragraph of said section.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Appropriation for Vacation Schools. [See pp. 231, 232.]

Ordered, That the Committee on the Extended Use of School Buildings be authorized to expend, in addition to the items under their immediate charge, included in the schedule on which the appropriation bill for 1903–04 recently passed was based, a further sum of three thousand dollars ($3,000) to be charged to the following-named items:

Salaries of Instructors, two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500).

Salaries of Janitors, two hundred and fifty dollars ($250), and Supplies and Incidentals two hundred and fifty dollars ($250).

Mr. Merritt moved that the recommendation in the report of the minority of the Committee on Accounts, as printed on pages 232, 233 of the Minutes, be substituted for the aforesaid order.

Mr. Merritt's motion was lost.

The order passed.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Ordered, That the following-named schools be named as follows:

Naming of schools. [See pp. 234, 235.]

New school on Columbia road, Dorchester. — William E. Russell School, for William E. Russell, Governor of Massachusetts, patriot, statesman.

New school on Norman street, West End. — Washington School, for George Washington, founder of a nation.

New school on Heath street, Roxbury. — Jefferson School, for Thomas Jefferson, philosopher and statesman.

New school at the corner of Horace and Byron streets, East Boston. — Paul Jones School, for Paul Jones, founder of the American Navy.

New school at the corner of Kenwood road and Huntington avenue. — Farragut School, for David Glascoe Farragut, great naval commander.

New school on School street, George Putnam District. — Hamilton School, for Alexander Hamilton, constructive statesman, the exponent of American unity.

New school on Westville street, Dorchester. — Marshall School, for John Marshall, jurist, wise interpreter of the American Constitution.

Weston-street School. — Asa Gray School, for Asa Gray, botanist, who devoted his life to the advancement of knowledge.

Roxbury-street School, Dudley District. — Miles Standish School, for Miles Standish, colonist and soldier.

Quincy-street School, Phillips Brooks District. — Hull School, for Isaac Hull, commodore United States Navy, commander of the Constitution.

Baker-street School, Robert G. Shaw District. — Henry Vane School, for Henry Vane, Governor of Massachusetts, defender of the liberties of the colonists.

Morton-street School, Roger Wolcott District. — Poe School, for Edgar Allan Poe, man of letters.

Bartlett-street School, Warren District. — Copley School, for John Singleton Copley, painter.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, recommitted to the Committee on Names of Buildings.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Ordered, That the salaries of those employed in the vacation schools during the year 1903 be fixed as follows:

Salaries of employees in vacation schools. [See pp. 236, 237.]

Director, six dollars ($6) for each day's service.

Principal of a school, five dollars ($5) for each day's service.

Teacher of woodworking, two and one-half dollars ($2.50) for each day's service.

Teacher, two dollars ($2) for each day's service.

Assistant teacher, one dollar ($1) for each day's service.

Head of a Playground, one and $\frac{20}{100}$ dollars ($1.20) for each day's service of one session, and two dollars ($2) for each day's service of two sessions.

Assistant in a Playground, eighty cents ($.80) for each day's service of one session, and one dollar ($1) for each day's service of two sessions.

Passed.

Annual salary schedule. [See pp. 237–242.]

Orders Nos. 1 to 12 inclusive appended to the annual report of the Committee on Salaries (see Minutes, pp. 237–242) were taken up and passed.

The following order, laid over at the last meeting, was read:

Leave of absence to Mary C. Shute and Caroline D. Aborn. [See p. 248.]

Ordered, That Mary C. Shute and Caroline D. Aborn, assistants in the Normal School, be granted leave of absence without loss of pay, during the months of February, March, and April, 1904, for the purpose of attending a course of kindergarten training in Washington, D.C., to be given by Miss Blow.

On motion of Mrs. Duff, laid over to the first regular meeting of the Board in September.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Payment to janitors for extra services in vacation schools. [See p. 249.]

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings are hereby authorized to approve the payment of such sums to janitors as they may deem proper, of whom extra services may be required in connection with the vacation schools during the current summer, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate seven hundred dollars ($700).

Passed.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Revised course of study for High Schools. [See p. 246.]

Ordered, That eight thousand copies of the course of study for High Schools (Document No. 9, 1901) as revised, be printed.

Passed.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

George Putnam District. — Maria F. Bray, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903. Resignations.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Evelyn M. Rich, assistant, Primary School, Sept. 1, 1903; Edith S. Emery, principal, Kindergarten, Sept. 1, 1903.

Martin District. — Katherine Boyd, assistant, Primary School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — A. Estella Allen, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903; Cora K. Pierce, principal, Kindergarten, Sept. 1, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments and transfer, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

ON PROBATION.

Dorchester High School. — Mabel L. Merriman, Cambridge, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1903. On probation.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Ellen M. Greany, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Quincy District. — Mary Burkhardt, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TRANSFER.

Eliot District. — Viola M. Allen, assistant, Primary School, to the same position in the Martin District, to date from Sept. 9, 1903. Transfer of a teacher.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher for the Leave of absence granted; substitute approved.

term specified, and the substitute named was approved by the Board:

Wells District. — Lizzie F. Stevens, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 14, 1903, until July 1, 1903; Anna J. Griffin, Boston, substitute.

Leave of absence.

Rules suspended.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified, on half pay, and her resignation was accepted to take effect Sept. 1, 1904:

Prescott District. — Frances A. Craigen, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 1, 1903, until Sept. 1, 1904.

VACATION SCHOOLS.

Instructors in vacation schools.

The appointments of the following-named persons for service in the designated positions in the vacation schools during the term of 1903, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations and orders of the School Committee, were presented for the approval of the Board:

TEACHERS.

Mabel W. Chandler, Grace B. Nichols.

HEADS OF PLAYGROUNDS.

Katherine A. McMurry, Margaret Mountain.

Rules suspended.

Approved, under a suspension of the rules.

Reappointment of instructors.

The following reappointments for the school year 1903--04, in addition to those submitted by the Superintendent in School Document No. 5, 1903, in pursuance of special orders previously passed by the Board, were presented for approval:

LATIN AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

Charlestown High School.

To serve during the pleasure of the School Committee. — Junior-master, Malcolm D. Barrows.

For the term ending Aug. 31, 1904. — Assistant, Elizabeth G. Dowd.

SECOND DIVISION.

Harvard District.

For the term ending Aug. 31, 1904. — Assistant, Primary School, Grace M. Broaders.

Warren District.

For the term ending Aug. 31, 1904. — Assistant, Grammar School, Mary T. Loughlin.

Laid over, under the rule.

The following reappointment for the school year 1903–4 was presented by the Superintendent to correct a clerical error on page 27 of Document 5 of 1903:

SIXTH DIVISION.

Shurtleff District.

For the term ending Aug. 31, 1904.—Assistant, Primary School, Mary Taylor.

Laid over, under the rule.

The following appointment, made by the Superintendent, was reported for approval:

PRINCIPAL.

Christopher Gibson District. — Michael E. Fitzgerald, Boston, Master, from Sept. 9, 1903. Appointment of a Principal.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, the rules were suspended and the appointment declared approved. Rules suspended.

Subsequently, Mr. Kenny raised the point of order that the aforesaid appointment should, under the Rules, be approved by a yea and nay vote.

The Chair ruled the point of order well taken.

The appointment was thereupon approved by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Yeas and nays.

Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 20.

Absent or not voting: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Gallivan, and Merritt.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Minors' licenses.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 111 minors to be licensed as newsboys, and of 25 to be licensed as bootblacks.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of one minor to sell newspapers for having violated the conditions on which said license was granted him.

Approved.

Report of Committee on Accounts; special teacher household science and arts, Brighton and West Roxbury High Schools. [See pp. 157, 214.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — Apr. 14 and May 26 — orders that a special teacher of household science and arts be authorized in the Brighton High School and in the West Roxbury High School, both to date from Sept. 9, 1903, reported that they have given the matter careful consideration and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That instruction in household science and arts be authorized in the Brighton High and West Roxbury High Schools, and that the instructor in this branch now serving in the Roxbury High School be recommended for appointment to serve also in the Brighton High and West Roxbury High Schools in the same capacity, to date from Sept. 9, 1903.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Accounts; provision for annual school festival. [See p. 199.]

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, to whom was referred — May 26 — a resolution from the Common Council, requesting the School Committee to reconsider its action and make provision for the holding of the school festival this year, reported that, inasmuch as the

School Committee have considered twice the question of holding the usual festival the present year, and after a thorough discussion of the matter, have come to the conclusion each time that it is inexpedient so to do, it is not desirable in the opinion of this committee, to reopen the subject. The committee recommend that the Common Council be informed of this action.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Report of Committee on Accounts; additional kindergarten, Roger Wolcott District. [See p. 248.]

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, to whom was referred — June 9 — an order relative to the establishment of an additional kindergarten in the Roger Wolcott District, reported that they have given the matter careful consideration, and recommend the passage of the order referred to them, as follows:

Ordered, That an additional kindergarten be established in the Roger Wolcott District; and that the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to rent and fit up for such purposes the premises numbered 727 Walk Hill street, formerly occupied by a manual training school.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Accounts; uncollected interest of Eastburn Fund to be invested. [See p. 217.]

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, to whom was referred — May 26 — an order that they be requested to have the uncollected interest of the Eastburn Fund invested so that the income may be available for the use of the Normal School, reported that they have given the matter careful consideration, and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That one thousand dollars of the income uncollected on account of the Eastburn Fund be invested in a thousand-dollar City of Boston three and one-half per cent. bond, registered "Eastburn Fund Income," to be held by the City Treasurer on income account; the income of which bond, as well as the principal, to be available in accordance with the terms of the will under which the trust was created.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on School Houses; appointment of a janitor.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, reported, for the approval of the Board, the following appointment:

JANITOR.

Hancock School Annex. — Edward P. Clark, to date from July 6, 1903.

Approved.

Majority report of Committee on School Houses; designation of district for new Normal School. [See p. 247.]

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, presented the following:

The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred — June 9 — an order designating the Martin District as the district in which the Normal School should be placed, submit the following majority report:

It should at the outset be noted that under the statutes of this Commonwealth the School Committee is to determine in which district the Normal School shall be placed, but has no right whatsoever to select a specific parcel of land for that purpose. This latter power is wholly vested in the Schoolhouse Commissioners, and they, therefore, are entitled to the credit, or must bear the burden, as the case may be, of the choice of a particular site in a district.

Shortly after the creation of the Schoolhouse Commission, the School Committee designated in a very general manner the location desired for the Normal School, *i.e.*, southwest of Massachusetts avenue (Sept. 10. 1901). This was made more specific by the report of the Schoolhouse Commission, *i.e.*, in the vicinity of Dudley street transfer station (Dec. 18, 1901). The present Committee on School Houses, after a careful consideration, voted unanimously on Feb. 21, 1903, to recommend the location previously recommended by the Schoolhouse Commissioners, and this was accepted by the Board. It was then supposed that nothing remained for the School Committee to do in the matter of a Normal School site, and that it was for the Schoolhouse Commissioners to select a particular site within the region designated by the School Committee. The Schoolhouse Commissioners, acting within these general limits, selected a site in the Lewis District, approved by the Superintendent. The Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston having informed the Schoolhouse Commissioners that they must procure the designation of a particular Grammar School District from the School Committee before they could take any land, the Schoolhouse Commissioners suggested that the Committee on School Houses request the School

Committee to designate the Lewis District, if that district met its approval, and the Committee on School Houses was about to make that specific recommendation when the order to place the Normal School in the Martin District was referred to it.

The price of land in the Back Bay Fens had been considered prohibitive until a very attractive proposition was made by the Boston Water Power Company to the Schoolhouse Commissioners. The land involved meets the approval of the Schoolhouse Commissioners and the Superintendent.

The situation then is, that the School Committee is called upon to designate in which district it desires the Normal School to be placed, the only two districts under consideration being the Martin and Lewis districts, and the sites in those two districts, the determination of which lies outside of the province of the School Committee, being as a matter of fact definitely selected by the Schoolhouse Commissioners, and being each excellent sites in the respective localities.

The Normal School includes not only a Normal School, but also a Training School, to contain not less than eighteen classes. The question has two aspects, one the Normal School aspect, strictly speaking, the other the Training School aspect, or the housing of children aspect, and the determination of the problem of location must depend on the relative degree of importance assigned to each of these two elements; — a question on which there is large room for difference of opinion.

The site proposed in the Martin district is on Worthington street in the Back Bay Fens, at very nearly the centre of the Martin district, a location at present undeveloped and with inadequate car facilities, but which will undoubtedly be in the future an accessible and appropriate site for the Normal School, using that term in the narrower sense, *i.e.*, without the Training School. Its immediate proximity to the Museum of Fine Arts, to Simmons College, Conservatory of Music, Horticultural Hall, Symphony Hall, and other similar institutions will also doubtless afford educational advantages to the pupils of the Normal School. In short, if only the Normal School, without the Training School, were to be considered, the site would be well nigh ideal.

The Martin site is somewhat more expensive than the Lewis site. The proposition in the Martin District is about 110,000 square feet of land at $1.50 per foot, for the Normal School, Training School, and for the Girls' Latin School. This makes $165,000. If land in the proposed streets surrounding the schools is also to be purchased, as the Schoolhouse Commissioners intend, the cost will be about $200,000. The proposition in the Lewis District is about 54,000 square feet of land at $1 per foot, for a Normal School and Training School. As the Girls' Latin School should not occupy more than about 36,000 square feet of land, the Martin site

calls for the purchase of 20,000 square feet of land more than would otherwise be required, or $30,000, and as the price per square foot for the rest is, of course, half again as much as in the case of the Lewis proposition, we have an excess in cost of the Martin proposition over the Lewis of $75,000, and if land in the proposed streets is taken of about $100,000. Building in the Fens will also cost about $10,000 more than it would in the Lewis District, because of the nature of the soil in the Fens. The difference in expense is therefore in the neighborhood of $100,000.

This difference in expense, large as it is, should not of itself be decisive.

When, however, we turn to the question of the Training School, we find that the difference in expense of the Martin site over the Lewis site is very nearly $400,000.

The erection in the Lewis District of a large Training School would supersede the otherwise imminent necessity for the erection of a Grammar and Primary School in that vicinity, and would therefore save the city something like $300,000, a modest estimate of what a Grammar and a Primary School-house would otherwise cost. The erection of a Training School in the Martin District, near whose centre the Worthington-street site lies, would afford no substantial relief, because the Martin District itself requires no relief, as the new Kenwood Road School, soon to be completed, will meet all local needs, and because the districts which surround the Martin District are at such distances from the proposed site, and such complications are introduced by the two lines of railroads, which, roughly speaking, form a natural division line in the immediate vicinity, that no real present relief to surrounding districts can reasonably be expected by the erection of the Training School on Worthington street.

The Lewis site, therefore, offers an opportunity to satisfy two claimant needs at the same time. It not only saves the city something like $100,000 directly, but also saves an additional sum in the neighborhood of $300,000 indirectly.

The arguments against this are, first, that the Normal School should not be sacrificed to other needs; and, second, that the Worthington-street location will in time justify itself, even as far as the Training School itself is concerned. The first argument is based on the fact that the Worthington-street site will be more appropriate than the Lewis site, and will offer greater advantages of an educational character, because of the educational institutions nearby. As to the latter, that can to some extent be remedied by the Normal School girls visiting those institutions when requisite; as to the former, it is hardly an argument justifying a very large outlay. It is also argued that the Training School should not be crowded, or else it will cease to be the model school that is desired. This can, however, be remedied by regulations

governing that institution. The argument that in time the Training School will naturally fill up should not have great weight when such imminent overcrowding exists as the School Committee is at present called upon to face.

In short, it appears that the Lewis site will be a highly satisfactory site both in itself and because of its central location geographically, and because of its accessibility on account of its nearness to the Dudley Street Station, whether looked at from the point of view of the Normal School alone, or of the Training School alone, or both combined; and that the Martin site, although more desirable for the Normal School alone, is highly undesirable for the Training School, and on account of that, and of its intrinsically greater expense, involves an outlay so much greater than the other site that the city ought not to be called upon to pay it.

The Normal School is getting immeasurably more than it has at present if the Lewis site be taken. It should not get all it desires when the effect is, in order to give it some slight incidental advantages, to take nearly half a million dollars more out of a fund to accommodate unhoused school children, a fund inadequate for that purpose.

A majority of the committee therefore recommend the passage of the following order.

DAVID A. ELLIS,
WILLIAM T. KEOUGH.

I join in the above recommendation.

J. A. BRETT.

Ordered, That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be informed that this Board hereby designates the Lewis School District as the district within which the new Normal School shall be built.

Mr. Burrill also presented the following minority report and order:

Minority report of Committee on School Houses; designation of district for new Normal School. [See p. 247.]

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on School Houses, are constrained to dissent from the opinion of the majority with regard to the location of the Normal School. They recognize fully the strength of the arguments which govern the opinion of the majority, but believe that the needs and the welfare of the Normal School itself are paramount to every other consideration, and the location of the school should not be made dependent upon the needs in any district of the city for additional accommodations. This opinion is held by the Superintendent, the Board of Supervisors, and the Committee on the Normal School.

The proposed site in the Back Bay possesses many advantages that do not attach to a location in Roxbury. The lot selected is at least as central and as easy of access as the one under consideration in Roxbury, the area available is ample, the price low, and the wisdom of the choice, the undersigned believe, will be found fully justified in future years when this location will undoubtedly be recognized as the educational centre of the city. The Roxbury lot is insufficient in size for the purpose under consideration, and the school will be cramped and confined, and its surroundings hereafter will probably be so congested as materially to impair its efficiency. As to the question of expense, the net actual cost of the Back Bay site over the Roxbury lot, making all due allowances, is, in the opinion of the undersigned, but about $50,000, a sum altogether too small to govern the location of a site in the case of this particular school, intended for the benefit of the entire city, and which for many years has pursued its work under difficult and discouraging surroundings with the hope that ultimately its reasonable requirements for suitable accommodations would be met.

The undersigned therefore recommend the passage of the appended order.

CHARLES L. BURRILL.
GEO. E. BROCK.

Ordered, That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be informed that this Board hereby designates the Martin School District as the district within which the new Normal School shall be built.

Both of the foregoing reports were accepted.

Mr. Burrill moved that the order immediately foregoing be substituted for the order appended to the report of the majority.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the yeas and nays were ordered on the motion to substitute.

Mr. Burrill's motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, Merritt, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 19.

Nays: Messrs. Brett, Ellis, Keough, and Mulvey — 4.

Absent or not voting: Miss Dierkes.

Mr. Paine moved that the minority order be amended by adding the following words at the end thereof: — Pro-

vided, however, that no lot of the Boston Water Power Co. should be obtained, however desirable it may be in situation or advantageous in price.

Mr. Mulvey raised the point of order that, inasmuch as the School Committee has no authority to designate any particular site, the amendment offered by Mr. Paine could not be entertained.

The Chair ruled the point of order well taken.

The minority order thereupon passed.

Mr. Burrill moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the aforesaid order was declared passed, hoping the same would not prevail.

Lost.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, it was

Designation of district for Girls' Latin School.

Ordered, That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be informed that this Board hereby designates the Martin School District as the district within which the new Girls' Latin School shall be built.

Mr. Burrill moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the foregoing order was declared passed, hoping the same would not prevail.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on Manual Training, it was

Number of pupils attending Mechanic Arts High School to be limited.

Ordered, That the Committee on Manual Training are hereby authorized to take such steps as they may deem necessary to limit the number of pupils in the Mechanic Arts High School during the term 1903–04, including the exclusion of non-resident pupils.

Mr. Vogel, for the same committee, offered the following:

Employment of special assistants, Mechanic Arts High School, authorized.

Ordered, That the Board authorize the employment for the school year 1903–04 of not more than six graduates of the Mechanic Arts High School as special assistants in the mechanical departments of that school;

the salary of two of said graduates not to exceed three dollars ($3), and of four of them not to exceed two dollars ($2) for each day of actual service; said special assistants to be in place of at least one regular instructor to which said school is entitled under the rules.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on Salaries; payment to Blanche Tibbits. [See p. 250.]

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred — June 9 — an order relative to the payment of twenty-four dollars ($24) to Blanche Tibbits for services as special assistant in music in the Prince District, reported that in their opinion Miss Tibbits should receive said amount, and accordingly recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That there be paid to Blanche Tibbits the sum of twenty-four dollars ($24) in full for services rendered as special assistant in music in the Prince District between Apr. 1 and May 20, 1903.

Rules suspended.

Accepted, and the order passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on Salaries; payment to F. R. Miller. [See p. 249.]

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred — June 9 — an order that the sum of twenty-nine and $\frac{8}{100}$ dollars ($29.08) be paid to Mr. F. R. Miller for services as special laboratory assistant in the English High School from Nov. 11, 1902, to May 29, 1903, reported that they have duly considered the matter, and recommend that the order ought not to pass.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Thomas F. Durkin.

Ordered, That there be paid to Thomas F. Durkin the sum of five dollars ($5) for services rendered by him as janitor of the Normal School, in connection with the Supervisors' examination held in that building on June 13, 1903.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Joseph Smith the sum of sixty dollars ($60) for extra services rendered by him as janitor of the Charlestown branch of the Evening High School during the term 1902–03 in consequence of the sessions of said school being held five evenings each week instead of three evenings as previously. Payment to Joseph Smith.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to John J. Smith the sum of ten and $\frac{67}{100}$ dollars ($10.67) for services as acting janitor of the Florence-street School-house, from June 3 to 10, 1903, inclusive. Payment to John J. Smith.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Brett, for the Committee on Evening Schools, offered the following:

Ordered, That the East Boston and Charlestown branches of the Evening High School are hereby discontinued; and from and after Sept. 28, 1903, independent Evening High Schools be established respectively in East Boston, Charlestown, and South Boston. Evening High Schools, East Boston, Charlestown, and South Boston, established.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the rules were suspended and the order passed. Rules suspended.

Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Charles H. Carr the sum of one hundred seventy-eight dollars for services as janitor of the Bigelow Educational Centre during the term 1902–03. Payment to Charles H. Carr.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Ernst moved the passage of the order appended to the report of the Committee on the Normal School Proposed three-years'

course of study, Normal School.

relative to the proposed three-years' course of study in that school, as presented at the meeting of May 26 (see pp. 214–215) and as printed in the Minutes of Jan. 27 (see pp. 46–49).

Mr. Gallivan moved that the Supervisors present be given the privileges of the floor.

The motion was declared lost.

Mr. Gallivan doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Gallivan, Keenan, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, and Paine — 12.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Cushing, Ernst, Harkins, Kenny, and Storrow — 7.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Bolster, Burrill, Clark, Pierce, and Vogel.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, the previous question was ordered.

The Chair stated the question was on the passage of the order amending the Regulations as printed on pp. 46–49 of the Minutes of Jan. 27.

On motion of Mr. Paine, the question was divided, the proposed amendment to Sect. 280 being first taken up.

Mrs. Duff raised the point of order that the question before the Board was on the adoption of the amendment offered by her at the meeting of Feb. 24, that the amendment to Sect. 280 of the Regulations, reported by the Committee on Rules and Regulations at the meeting of Jan. 27, viz.:

SECT. 280. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 280. The Boston Normal School is established for the purpose of giving professional instruction to the young women who intend to become teachers in the public schools of Boston. The course of study in this school shall be for three years, divided

into six terms of half a year each, and shall be arranged by the Superintendent and approved by the Board.

be further amended as follows:

Strike out the last three lines and substitute the following: — The regular course of study in this school shall be for two years, a third year being permitted for advance study and practice. The courses of study shall be arranged by the Superintendent and Supervisors and approved by the Board.

The Chair ruled the point of order well taken.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the yeas and nays were ordered on the adoption of Mrs. Duff's amendment.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, and Vogel — 12.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Paine, Pierce, and Storrow — 10.

Paired: Mr. Clark — Nay. Mr. Keenan (present) — Yea.

The question came on the adoption of Sect. 280 as amended.

Mr. Paine moved the reference of said section to the Superintendent, with instructions to report at the first meeting in September what modifications therein were, in his judgment, desirable.

Lost.

The section was adopted as amended.

The Chair stated the question was on the adoption of the amendment offered by Mrs. Duff at the meeting of Feb. 24, that the amendment to Sect. 281 of the Regulations reported by the Committee on Rules and Regulations at the meeting of Jan. 27, viz.:

SECT. 281. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 281. Candidates for admission must be at least eighteen years of age, unless an exception is made by the Board of Supervisors upon good cause shown, and have good health and a good moral character. They must have completed a four-years' course of study in a Boston High School, or an equivalent course of study. As an additional prerequisite for admission a special examination shall be held on the third Saturday and preceding Friday of June in each year by the Board of Supervisors, for graduates of the Boston High Schools, and for other candidates a special examination of as high degree shall be held by the Board of Supervisors on the second Wednesday and following Thursday in September. Graduates of a university or college, or of a State Normal School, approved by the Board of Supervisors, may be admitted to the school without examination, and, if they prove to be qualified, may be admitted to the senior class, and may take the kindergarten course, or any of the other optional courses in one year. Pupils shall be admitted to this school for the regular and special courses only at the beginning of a school year. All pupils shall be put on probation, and as soon as, in the opinion of the Board of Supervisors, they prove unsuitable for this school, shall be discharged.

be further amended as follows:

Insert in the sixth line, after the word "study," the words: — with diploma.

Insert in the nineteenth line, after the word "year," the following: — Commencing September, 1903, men graduates of colleges may be admitted under the same requirements as those now provided for women graduates of colleges.

Adopted.

Sect. 281 was adopted as amended.

The Chair stated the question was on the adoption of the amendment offered by Mrs. Duff at the meeting of Feb. 24, viz.:

That Sections 289 and 290, as reported by the Committee on Rules and Regulations Jan. 27 be stricken out.

Adopted.

Mr. Ernst raised the point of order that the Board could not legally admit men to the Normal School as provided in the amendment adopted to Section 281,

and moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby said amendment was adopted.

Mr. Gallivan raised the point of order that intervening business having transpired, the motion to reconsider could not be entertained.

The Chair ruled Mr. Gallivan's point of order not well taken.

Mr. Ernst renewed his motion for a reconsideration of the vote whereby that part of Section 281 was amended to provide that men graduates of colleges may be admitted to the Normal School, in view of the opinion of the Corporation Counsel, as reported at the meeting of May 26 (see Minutes, p. 210), that the School Committee cannot legally take such action.

The motion to reconsider passed.

Mr. Ernst raised the point of order that in view of the foregoing ruling of the Corporation Counsel that part of the proposed amendment could not be entertained.

The Chair ruled the point of order well taken.

On motion of Mr. Paine, the following amendments, as reported by the Committee on Rules and Regulations on Jan. 27, were taken up, viz.:

SECT. 285. Strike out the second paragraph.

SECT. 286. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 286. The head-master shall annually issue a catalogue of the school, which shall be sent to the members of the School Committee, the Board of Supervisors, and the Principals of Schools.

SECT. 287 Strike out the section.

SECT. 288. Renumber the section 287.

Adopted.

On motion of the same member, Sects. 147 and 169 as reported by the Committee on Rules and Regulations at the meeting of Jan. 27, viz.:

SECT. 147. Strike out the first paragraph of the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 147. The instructors of this school shall be a head-master, two masters, and assistants. There shall be as many assistants as may be necessary, provided the whole number of teachers, exclusive of the head-master and masters, shall not exceed one for every twenty-five pupils. An additional instructor may be appointed for an excess of twenty pupils, and one may be removed for a deficiency of twenty. In addition to the instructors already provided for in this section, there shall be two assistants as teachers of the theory and practice of the kindergarten, and a special teacher of drawing.

SECT. 169. Strike out the word "master" in the first line and insert in place thereof the word: — masters, — so that the section will read as follows:

Normal School.

SECTION 169. The salary of the masters shall be established at a minimum rate for the first year of service, with an annual increase during the succeeding five years, so that the maximum salary shall be reached for the sixth and each subsequent year of service. The salary of assistants shall be established at a minimum rate for the first year of service, with an annual increase during the succeeding eight years, so that the maximum rate shall be reached for the ninth and each subsequent year of service. The salaries of the instructors of the several ranks in the training school shall be the same as those for the same ranks in the grammar schools. The salaries of assistants in the training school kindergarten shall be the same as those of assistants in the other kindergartens.

were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the following amendment to Sect. 282 as reported at the meeting of Jan. 27 was indefinitely postponed:

SECT. 282. Strike out the word "class" in the third line and insert in place thereof the word: — year, — so that the section will read as follows:

SECT. 282. Pupils who fail of promotion or graduation may join the following class; but no pupil shall repeat the work of any year more than once.

On motion of Mrs. Duff, the following orders offered by her at the meeting of Feb. 24, were successively passed:

(*a.*) *Ordered*, That the Superintendent be requested to suggest such special legislation as will permit him to experiment at

the earliest possible date upon the provisions as set forth in Sections 289 and 290 of the proposed amendments, such experiments being in accordance with the suggestions in his report of 1902, page 23.

(*b.*) *Ordered*, That the Superintendent and Board of Supervisors be requested to outline a course of study, covering two compulsory years and one additional year of Normal school work.

Subsequently, Mr. Brett moved a reconsideration of all the foregoing votes relative to the Normal School, hoping the same would not prevail.

Lost.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following:

Ordered, That the offices of the School Committee be closed on Thursday, June 25, and the employees given a general holiday.

Offices of the School Committee closed June 25.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Bolster offered the following:

Ordered, That six hundred copies of the course of study in Sewing, School Document No. 15, 1893, be printed.

Course of study in sewing to be reprinted.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

On motion, of Mr. Vogel, it was

Ordered, That the officers of the Boston School Regiments, who serve as guides and ushers during the week of the National Educational Association Convention, be allowed to wear their uniforms and swords while on duty.

Officers of School Regiments allowed to wear uniforms as ushers at National Educational Association Convention.

Mr. Harkins moved a reconsideration of all votes whereby the appointments of instructors reported by the Superintendent were approved, hoping the same would not prevail.

Reconsideration.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Keough, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Legislative Matters are hereby authorized and instructed to introduce and advocate the passage of a bill in the Legislature to secure a suitable rebate from the State tax on account of the City's support of its own Normal School.

Rebate from State tax for City's support of Boston Normal School.

On motion of Mr. Keough, it was

Admittance of men to Boston Normal School.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legislative Matters are hereby authorized and instructed to introduce and advocate the passage of a bill in the Legislature to authorize this Board to admit men to the Boston Normal School under such restrictions as it may deem advisable.

Petition from Michael J. Murray *et als.*; naming new Primary School-house, School street, Ellis Mendell School.

Mr. Vogel presented a petition signed by Michael J. Murray and 422 others, that the primary school-house now being constructed on School street, in the George Putnam District, be called the Ellis Mendell Primary School.

Referred to the Committee on Names of Buildings.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

BOSTON PRINTING TRADES UNION LABOR COUNCIL BOSTON MASS. 21

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, August 6, 1903.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at four o'clock P.M.

Present: All the members except Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, and Storrow.

The Board was called to order by Mr. James A. McDonald, the senior member.

The Chair read the call for the meeting, viz.:

Call for meeting.

BOSTON, Aug. 4, 1903.

The undersigned members of the Boston School Committee hereby request that a meeting of the School Committee be held on Thursday afternoon, August sixth, at four o'clock, and that the necessary call for the meeting be sent out by the Secretary.

JAMES J. STORROW,
JOHN A. BRETT,
ELLERY H. CLARK,
ROBERT T. PAINE, JR.

Placed on file.

President *pro tem.*

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the rules were suspended and Mr. James A. McDonald was elected President *pro tem.*

Secretary *pro tem.*

On motion of Mr. Brock, Mr. William J. Porter was elected Secretary *pro tem.*

Mr. Paine, for the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, offered the following:

Additional appropriation for vacation schools.

Ordered, That the special Committee on the Extended Use of School Buildings be authorized to expend in addition to sums already appropriated, an additional sum of fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500) to enable the vacation schools to be continued the coming week.

Said amount to be charged to the item in the annual appropriation order, Salaries of Instructors.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Paine, the rules were suspended in order to permit immediate action on the foregoing.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the yeas and nays were called on the passage of the order.

The order was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Casey, Clark, Harkins, McDonald, Mulvey, and Paine — 6.

Nays: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Ernst, Merritt, Pierce, and Vogel — 6.

Paired: Mr. Brett (present), yea. Mr. Burrill, nay.

Absent: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, and Storrow.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

WILLIAM J. PORTER,
Secretary pro tem.

UNION PRINTING TRADES COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, September 8, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Burrill, Cushing, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan and Storrow.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the rules were suspended, and the Secretary was directed to cast one ballot for William F. Merritt as President *pro tem.*

Rules suspended. Election of President *pro tem.*

The Secretary cast one ballot as directed, and William F. Merritt was declared elected President *pro tem.*

On motion of Mr. Harkins, the reading of the records of the meetings of June 23 and Aug. 6 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments, transfers, and reappointments of instructors as presented at the meeting of June 23.

Approval of appointments and transfers laid over.

The appointments, transfers, and reappointments were approved.

The following order, laid over at the meeting of June 23, was read:

Ordered, That Mary C. Shute and Caroline D. Aborn, assistants in the Normal School, be granted leave of absence, without loss of pay, during the months of February, March, and April, 1904, for the purpose of attending a course of kindergarten training in Washington, D.C., to be given by Miss Blow.

Leave of absence to Mary C. Shute and Caroline D. Aborn. [See p. 248.]

Passed.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Schoolhouse Department; additional kindergarten, Roger Wolcott District. [See p. 285.]

CITY OF BOSTON, SCHOOLHOUSE DEPARTMENT,
120 BOYLSTON STREET,

July 2, 1903.

To the School Committee of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — Agreeable to the order passed by the School Committee June 23, 1903, viz.:

Ordered, That an additional kindergarten be established in the Roger Wolcott District; and that the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to rent and fit up for such purpose, the premises numbered 727 Walk Hill street, formerly occupied by a manual training school.

I would reply in their behalf that said premises have been hired for the term of one year from Sept. 1, 1903, with privilege of renewal for one year more, at the rate of $30 per month, the same including heat and janitor's service, and that the Commissioners will see that said premises are fitted up for kindergarten school purposes.

Respectfully yours,
H. B. FISHER,
Secretary.

Placed on file.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Schoolhouse Commissioners; acceptance of new primary school, Christopher Gibson District.

CITY OF BOSTON, SCHOOLHOUSE DEPARTMENT,
120 BOYLSTON STREET,

Aug. 31, 1903.

To the School Committee, Boston Public Schools:

I beg to notify you that the primary school building in the Christopher Gibson District, contracted for on the thirty-first of July, 1902, has been accepted by the architects as completed in accordance with the specifications and accepted by us, and is hereby turned over to the School Committee.

The contractors under the terms of their contract have kept the boilers going. The man is still retained by us for this purpose. On receipt of such notice, this man may be dismissed and the building put into the charge of your janitor.

I am,

Respectfully yours,
R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,
Chairman.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Chapman District. — Annie L. Evans, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903; Mabel V. Roche, assistant, Primary School, Sept. 1, 1903; Grace G. Kendall, assistant, Kindergarten, Sept. 1, 1903. Resignations.

Eliot District. — Winifred C. Wolff, assistant, Primary School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Emerson District. — Margaret C. Littlefield, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Hancock District. — Annie G. Conroy, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Michael E. Fitzgerald, submaster, Sept. 9, 1903.

Lyman District. — Ethel M. Fales, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Phillips District. — Clara A. McNamee, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Prescott District. — Margaret F. Gannon, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Quincy District. — Blanche F. Harrington, assistant, Primary School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Schools of Cookery. — Agnes A. Fraser, instructor, Sept. 1, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments and confirmations, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Sherwin District. — Henrietta L. Wallburg, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903. Special assistant

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Mechanic Arts High School. — Alfred Coester, Bos- Temporary teachers.

ton, junior-master, from Sept. 9, 1903; Mary A. Harriman, Framingham, instructor, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Blanche V. Smith, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Mabelle L. Boyer, Cambridge, assistant, Kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Clara Ransom, Medford, assistant, Kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Mary E. Kelleher, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmations.

Dorchester High School. — Mildred G. Potter, Mabel E. White, assistants.

Girls' High School. — Cora J. Ball, instructor of Commercial Branches.

Roxbury High School. — Prudence E. Thomas, assistant.

South Boston High School. — Mary L. Green, assistant.

West Roxbury High School. — Mabel O. Mills, assistant; Emma F. Simmons, instructor of Commercial Branches; Ellen F. G. O'Connor, special teacher of Drawing.

Comins District. — A. Harriet Haley, assistant, Primary School.

Dearborn District. — Lucy H. Littlefield, assistant, Grammar School.

Dudley District. — Hannah E. Coughlan, assistant, Grammar School.

Franklin District. — Margaret J. Crosby, first assistant, Grammar School.

Gaston District. — Helen F. Kenney, assistant, Grammar School.

Hyde District. — Helen E. Cleaves, Jessie E. H. Thompson, assistants, Grammar School; Mary A. McKinlay, assistant, Primary School.

John A. Andrew District. — Mary E. Keohan, assistant, Grammar School.

Lewis District. — Grace A. Cunningham, assistant, Grammar School.

Lincoln District. — Frances M. Spooner, assistant, Primary School.

Martin District. — Isabel M. Wier, first assistant, Grammar School; Mary D. Chadwick, assistant, Grammar School; Cornelia M. Galligan, Alice B. Poor, assistants, Primary School.

Norcross District. — Emma L. Eaton, first assistant, Grammar School.

Sherwin District. — Martha I. Shaw, assistant, Grammar School.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leaves of absence granted. Substitutes approved.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:

Normal School. — Katharine H. Shute, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 9, 1904; Nellie I. Simpson, Boston, substitute.

South Boston High School. — Marie A. Solano, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Oct. 2, 1903; Grace V. Lynch, Boston, substitute.

Adams District. — Ellen M. Robbins, first assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 9, 1904; Anna E. Keaney, Boston, substitute.

Bennett District. — Katherine McNamara, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 9, 1904.

Bunker Hill District. — Angelia M. Knowles, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 9, 1904; Helen F. Davol, Boston, substitute.

Henry L. Pierce District. — Helen F. Burgess, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 9, 1904; Stella M. Coates, Boston, substitute.

Lincoln District. — Florence O. Bean, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Nov. 1, 1903.

Horace Mann School. — Alice M. Porter, substitute for Sarah A. Monro, assistant, granted leave of absence.

Assistant to Director of Drawing. — Margaret J. Patterson, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 9, 1904.

Designation of sub-master to take charge of a district.

The Superintendent reported that he had designated Darius Hadley, sub-master of the Harvard School, to take charge of the schools in that district until such time as the vacancy caused by the death of Warren E. Eaton, master of the Harvard School, shall have been otherwise filled in accordance with the Rules and Regulations.

Placed on file.

The following appointments, made by the Superintendent in pursuance of special orders passed by the Board, were presented for approval:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Mechanic Arts High School. — Richard C. Allen, Boston, Thomas J. Flynn, Boston, Nathaniel D. Henchman, Boston, Homer W. Holden, Boston, Otto R. Rietschlin, Boston, Edwin E. Webb, Boston, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Brighton High School and West Roxbury High School. — Elizabeth P. Palmer, Boston, special teacher of Household Science and Arts, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOL.

The following appointment of a Principal of an Evening School, for the term 1903–1904, said appointment to date from Sept. 28, 1903, made by the Superintendent, was presented for the approval of the Board: Principal of an Evening School.

Hancock Evening School. — Irving M. Norcross, Boston.

Approved, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

VACATION SCHOOLS.

The appointments of the following-named persons for service in the designated positions in the Vacation Schools during the term of 1903, made by the Superintendent and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board: Vacation Schools.

Teachers.

Annie M. Cullen.
Anastasia G. Hyde,
Margaret J. Murphy,
Annie B. Whidden,
Mary A. Wogan.

Head of Playground.

Theresa E. Leen.

Helpers in Playground.

Margaret Cronin,
Frances G. Lambert,
Margaret M. O'Connor,
Genevieve E. Wallace.

Approved, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of eight minors to be licensed as newsboys. Minors' licenses.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on School Houses, presented the following:

Report of Committee on School Houses; janitorship of Sherwin School-house.

The Committee on School Houses desire to submit, for the information of the Board, the following report with regard to the janitorship of the Sherwin School-house: Mr. Joseph G. Scott, the janitor of this building, has held that position since April, 1872, and was, until about five years ago, faithful and efficient. About 1898 he was taken ill with rheumatism, and later was affected with paralysis. For two years he was able to supervise his work, but for the last three years has been unable to leave his home. The master of the district has shown every consideration to Mr. Scott but has recently felt obliged to recommend that the interests of the school demanded the retirement of Mr. Scott, and the appointment of his successor. It has seemed to the master, and to your committee as well, that Mr. Scott is justly entitled to some consideration in his unfortunate situation, and to that end the following arrangement has been agreed to by all the parties interested, and will be submitted to the Board for its approval: Mr. Scott has presented his resignation to take effect Aug 1, and the vacancy thus created is to be filled by the promotion of another janitor already in the service who now receives a lower salary than that attached to the position held by Mr. Scott. The new appointee, who will receive a salary of $1,320 per annum, is to pay Mr. Scott for one year at the rate of $30 per month, which is approximately one half the net amount which Mr. Scott has been in receipt of for the last two or three years after paying the person employed by him to perform the duties which he is personally unable to render. This arrangement is, in effect, to give Mr. Scott a year's leave of absence, on half pay, although not at the expense of the city. The candidate for the position fully understands the proposed arrangement, and is con-

tented to accept it. Your committee therefore recommend the acceptance of this report as expressive of the approval of the Board of the arrangement herein set forth.

On motion of Mr Ernst, the report was recommitted to the Committee on School Houses.

Report of Committee on School Houses; deaths, resignations, appointments and transfers of janitors.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, reported the following deaths, resignations, appointments, and transfers:

JANITORS.

Deaths.

Heath-street School-house. — Catherine H. Norton, July 8, 1903.

Wyman, Wyman Portables, Nos. 26 and 27, Centre-street, Chestnut-avenue and Chestnut-avenue Portable, No. 9, School-houses. — Thomas Allchin, Aug. 12, 1903.

Placed on file.

Resignations.

Christopher Gibson Portable School-house, No. 65. — Winthrop B. Robinson, to date from Aug. 31, 1903.

Oak-square School-house. — Ernest R. Williams, to date from June 24, 1903.

Roger Clap Portable School-house, No. 85. — Joseph W. Batchelder, to date from Aug. 31, 1903.

Sherwin School-house. — Joseph G. Scott, to date from Aug. 1, 1903.

Ware Portable School-house, No. 67. — William Swansey, to date from Aug. 31, 1903.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the resignation of Joseph G. Scott as janitor of the Sherwin School-house was recommitted to the Committee on School Houses.

The remaining resignations were accepted

Appointments.

Bailey-street Portable School-house, No. 84. — Frank M. Murphy, to date from Sept. 1, 1903.

Benjamin Dean School-house. — Mary A. Walsh, to date from Aug. 11, 1903.

Benjamin Pope Portable School-house, No. 16. — William N. Carr, to date from Sept. 1, 1903.

Chapman Portable School-house, No. 15. — James E. Burdakin, to date from Sept. 1, 1903.

Clinch School-house. — Patrick H. Brennan, to date from Aug. 19, 1903.

Harvest and Boston-streets School-house. — Patrick J. Sheerin, to date from Sept. 4, 1903.

Heath-street School-house. — Nellie Watson, to date from Aug. 1, 1903.

Lewis Portable School-house, No. 85. — James A. Howe, to date from Sept. 1, 1903.

Minot School-house. — Frank P. Bartlett, to date from Aug. 22, 1903.

Oak-square School-house. — William H. Lyman, to date from Sept. 1, 1903.

Plummer Portable School-house, No. 67. — John H. Crafts, to date from Sept. 1, 1903.

No. 122 Salem-street School-house. — William Swansey, to date from Sept. 1, 1903.

Substitute (salary $492 per annum). — Henry T. Allchin, to date from Sept. 1, 1903.

Substitute (salary $600 per annum). — Edward A. Moore, to date from Sept. 16, 1903.

Wait School-house. — Margaret Ring, to date from Aug. 11, 1903.

Walnut-street School-house. — Augustus Robinson, to date from Sept. 5, 1903.

Warren District Primary School-house. — Ellen L. Devaney, to date from Aug. 11, 1903.

Weston-street Portable School-house, No. 65. — Jeremiah Shaw, to date from Sept. 1, 1903.

Approved.

TRANSFERS.

Capen School-house. — Cornelius A. Kenneally, to the same position in the Samuel G. Howe School-house, to date from Aug. 16, 1903.

Clinch School-house. — Patrick J. Downey, to the same position in the Everett School-house, to date from Aug. 16, 1903. Frank M. Murphy, to the same position in the Thetford-street, Bailey street, and Bailey-street Annex School-houses, to date from Aug. 19, 1903.

Dorchester-avenue School-house. — Frank M. Murphy, to the same position in the Clinch School-house, to date from Aug. 16, 1903.

Everett School-house. — Frederick V. Howe, to the same position in the Sherwin School-house, to date from Aug. 16, 1903.

Freeman School-house. — Henry F. Beverstock, to the same position in the Capen School-house, to date from Aug. 16, 1903.

Gaston School-house and Portables, Nos. 72 and 73. — Albion Elwell, to the same position in the Columbia-road School-house, to date from Aug. 16, 1903.

Roger Clap Portable School-houses, Nos. 15, 16, and 84. — Nellie A. Phelan, to the same position in the Bird School-house, to date from Sept. 1, 1903.

Samuel G. Howe School-house. — John McLeod, to the same position in the Gaston School-house and Portables, Nos. 72 and 73, to date from Aug. 16, 1903.

Substitute Janitors. — John J. Mulligan, to the position of janitor of the Thetford-street, Bailey-street, and Bailey-street Annex School-houses, to date from Aug. 16, 1903. John J. Smith, to the position of janitor of the Florence-street School-house, to date from Sept. 1, 1903.

Thetford-street, Bailey-street, and Bailey-street Annex School-houses. — A. Benson Rowe, to the same position in the Westville-street School-house, to date from Aug. 16, 1903. John J. Mulligan, to the same position in the Wyman, Wyman Portables, Nos. 26 and 27, Centre-street, Chestnut-avenue, and Chestnut-avenue Portable, No. 9, School-houses, to date from Aug. 19, 1903.

Walnut-street School-house. — Conrad J. Hermann, to the same position in the Dorchester-avenue School-house, to date from Aug. 16, 1903.

Ware School-house. — William Swansey, to the same position in the Freeman School-house, to date from Aug. 16, 1903.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the transfer of Frederick V. Howe from the Everett to the Sherwin School-house was recommitted to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Harkins moved that the foregoing report be amended to provide that Joseph W. Batchelder, janitor of the Roger Clap School-house, be transferred to the Columbia-road School-house in place of Albion Elwell, as recommended by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, the yeas and nays were ordered on the motion to amend.

Yeas and nays.

Mr. Harkins' motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Harkins — 1.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Casey, Clark, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Ernest, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, and Vogel — 16.

Absent: Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Burrill, Cushing, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan and Storrow.

The transfers as reported by the Committee on School Houses were approved.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Frank T. Vose.

Ordered, That there be paid to Frank T. Vose,

Treasurer Barnard Memorial, the sum of one hundred dollars ($100) for care of the Warrenton-street Chapel from Sept., 1902, to July, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on Normal School; resignation of clerical assistant, Normal School.

Mr. Paine, for the Committee on the Normal School, reported the resignation of Anne Stevens, clerical assistant in the Normal School, to date from Aug. 31, 1903.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Normal School; appointment of clerical assistant Normal School.

Mr. Paine, for the same committee, reported, for the approval of the Board, the appointment of Clara J. A. Smith as clerical assistant in the Normal School, to date from Sept. 9, 1903.

Approved.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Payment to Jeremiah Shaw.

Ordered, That there be paid to Jeremiah Shaw the sum of nine and $\frac{16}{100}$ dollars ($9.16) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Oak-square School-house, from June 25 to July 5, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to William L. Lovejoy.

Ordered, That there be paid to William L. Lovejoy the sum of ten and $\frac{66}{100}$ dollars ($10.66) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Florence-street School-house, from June 24 to July 1, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Nellie Watson.

Ordered, That there be paid to Nellie Watson the sum of eighteen and $\frac{33}{100}$ dollars ($18.33) for services rendered by her as acting janitor of the Heath-street School-house, from July 9 to July 31, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Nelson Weston.

Ordered, That there be paid to Nelson Weston, janitor of the Bowdoin School-house, the sum of three dollars ($3) for extra services rendered in connection with the graduating exercises of the Phillips School, held in said building on June 25, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Mary G. Walsh.

Ordered, That there be paid to Mary G. Walsh the sum of twenty-five and $\frac{33}{100}$ dollars ($25.33) for services rendered by her as substitute clerk in the office of the Schoolhouse Custodian, from July 27 to Aug. 17, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Edward T. Curley.

Ordered, That there be paid to Edward T. Curley the sum of thirty-four and $\frac{99}{100}$ dollars ($34.99) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Oak-square School-house, from July 6 to Aug. 18, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Patrick H. Brennan.

Ordered, That there be paid to Patrick H. Brennan the sum of sixty-two and $\frac{67}{100}$ dollars ($62.67) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Florence-street School-house, from July 2 to Aug. 18, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Henry T. Allchin.

Ordered, That there be paid to Henry T. Allchin the sum of thirteen and $\frac{67}{100}$ dollars ($13.67) for services rendered by him as substitute janitor from Aug. 19 to Aug. 28, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. McDonald, for the Committee on Drawing, offered the following:

Ordered, That the ensuing term of the Evening Drawing Schools shall begin on the second Monday in October and continue for sixty-six working nights, the week immediately preceding the first school day in January to be vacation.

Term of Evening Drawing Schools.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. McDonald, for the Committee on the Second Division, to whom was referred — June 9 — a communication from the Clerk of Committees relative to the attendance of public school children at patriotic exercises held in Charlestown on June 17, reported that no action of the Board is necessary in this matter.

Report of Committee on Second Division; attendance of Charlestown school children at Charlestown celebration, June 17, 1903. [See p. 222.]

Accepted.

Mr. McDonald, for the same committee, reported the death of Warren E. Eaton, late Master of the Harvard District, which occurred July 3, 1903.

Report of Committee on Second Division; death of Warren E. Eaton.

Placed on file.

Mr. McDonald, for the same committee, offered the following:

Resolutions on death of Warren E. Eaton.

Whereas, Warren E. Eaton, Master of the Harvard School District, died on the third day of July, 1903, be it

Resolved, That the School Committee hereby expresses its regret at the loss of one of the most faithful and zealous masters in the service.

Mr. Eaton was born in North Reading, Mass., on Jan. 7, 1839, and entered upon his life-work as an educator as sub-master in the Prescott School, on Apr. 1, 1866. On June 1, 1867, he became master of the Harvard District, where he remained until his decease.

Mr. Eaton brought to the discharge of every duty unfailing fidelity and unselfish devotion. Possessing a strong though unassuming character, he commanded

the love and respect of his associates, and his long experience in the conduct of school affairs, joined with a natural love for his profession, made him of especial value to the educational system of this city.

Resolved, That the School Committee tenders to the family of the deceased its sincere sympathy for the loss they have sustained; and directs that a copy of these resolutions be sent to them; and, also, that these resolutions be entered upon the Minutes of this Board.

Adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Report of Committee on Fifth Division; death of Mary F. Cogswell.

Miss Barrows, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, reported the death of Mary F. Cogswell, late primary assistant, Hyde District, which occurred July 10, 1903.

Placed on file.

Report of Committee on First Division; death of Hannah F. Crafts.

Mr. Keough, for the Committee on the First Division, reported the death of Hannah F. Crafts, late primary assistant, Chapman District, which occurred Aug. 12, 1903.

Placed on file.

Mr. Keough, for the Committee on the First Division, offered the following;

Leave of absence to Catharine A. Sullivan.

Ordered, That Catharine A. Sullivan, assistant, primary school, Lyman District, be granted leave of absence for one year from Sept. 9, 1903, without pay.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on Ninth Division; death of Anna M. Foster.

Mr. Harkins, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, reported the death of Anna M. Foster, late assistant, Grammar School, Edward Everett District, which occurred July 26, 1903.

Placed on file.

Amendment of Sect. 211 of Regulations; suspension of morning sessions on stormy days; reconsideration. [See p. 278.]

Mr. Kenny moved that Sect. 24 of the Rules be suspended in order to permit an absent member, who had filed the required notice of intention to move a reconsideration of the vote whereby an order that the Regulations be amended by striking out the second paragraph of Sect. 211 of the Regulations was declared

passed at the meeting of June 23, to make such motion at the next meeting of the Board.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, it was

Ordered, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to provide immediately twelve or more temporary sanitaries, not necessarily of an expensive nature, for the 250 or more children quartered in the so-called Parish Hall, Roger Clap District.

Sanitary accommodations to be provided in Parish Hall, Roger Clap District.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations report to this Board what, if any, changes are desirable in the number and functions of the various sub-committees of this Board.

Proposed changes in sub-committees of Board.

Mr. Keough offered the following:

Ordered, That the employment of an additional sub-master in the Lyman District is hereby authorized until otherwise ordered.

Additional sub-master, Lyman District.

Mr. Pierce moved that the order be referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Vogel moved as an amendment that the order be referred to the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Vogel's motion to amend was lost.

Mr. Pierce's motion to refer to the Committee on Accounts was lost.

The rules were suspended, and the order declared passed.

Mr. Pierce doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The order passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, and Vogel — 13.

Yeas and nays.

Nay: Mr. Pierce — 1.

Absent or Not Voting: Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ernst, Gallivan, Paine, and Storrow.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Secretary Music Department, N. E. A.; study of music in High School.

MINNESOTA EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
DANVERS, MASS., July 17, 1903.

To the Chairman of the Boston School Committee:

DEAR SIR, — I enclose an extract from the minutes of the Music Department of the National Educational Association, recently in session at Boston, according to instructions given at that time.

Respectfully yours,
HELEN W. TRASK,
Secretary Music Dept. N. E. A.

From the Minutes of the Music Department of the National Educational Association in session at Boston, Mass., July 8, 1903.

Resolved, That this body memorialize the recommendation of Mr. E. P. Seaver, Superintendent of the Boston Public Schools, as given in the late report, p. 126, namely: —
" That an Elective in Music, to be given at least three hours a week with instruction of a high grade, be allowed in the High Schools, " — by a letter written to the School Committee of the city of Boston by our Secretary, approving this movement.

Referred to the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books.

The following petition was read:

Petition from P. E. Cummings *et als.* for curbing and sidewalk for Thetford-avenue Schoolhouse.

To the School Committee:

We, the undersigned, residents in vicinity of Primary School at corner of Thetford avenue and Evans street, hereby petition that, owing to the present condition of sidewalks bounding said school, you have placed a granite curbing along the entire frontage of property on Thetford avenue and Evans street, also that an artificial stone sidewalk be constructed between said curb and present fence on both streets.

P. E. CUMMINGS, and eighteen others.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

On motion of Mr. Keough, it was

Inventory of school-room supplies.

Ordered, That the Committee on Supplies be requested to report upon the advisability of making a complete inventory of all strictly school-room supplies now in each school building, with a view of their possible redistribu-

tion, with a consequent reduction in the quantity necessary to be purchased during the current year.

Admittance of men to Normal School; reconsideration. [See p. 300.]

Mr. Keough moved the rescinding of the vote whereby an order instructing the Committee on Legislative Matters to introduce and advocate the passage of a bill in the Legislature to authorize this Board to admit men to the Boston Normal School under such restrictions as they may deem advisable, was declared passed at the meeting of June 23.

The motion to rescind passed.

On motion of the same member, the order was referred to the Committee on the Normal School.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, September 22, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. McDonald, and Vogel.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments and confirmations of instructors as presented at the last meeting, with the exception of the Principal of the Hancock Evening School, which appointment required approval by a *viva voce* vote.

Approval of appointments and confirmations laid over.

The appointments and confirmations with the foregoing exception were approved.

The appointment of Irving M. Norcross as Principal of the Hancock Evening School for the term 1903–04 was approved by the following vote:

Principal, Hancock Evening School.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, and Storrow — 21.

Yeas and nays.

Nays: None.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Burrill, McDonald, and Vogel.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

Ordered, That there be paid to Frank T. Vose, Treasurer Barnard Memorial, the sum of one hundred dollars ($100) for care of the Warrenton-street Chapel from Sept., 1902 to July, 1903.

Payment to Frank T. Vose. (See p. 314.)

Payment to Jeremiah Shaw. (See p. 315.)

Ordered, That there be paid to Jeremiah Shaw the sum of nine and $\frac{16}{100}$ dollars ($9.16) for services rendered by him at acting janitor of the Oak-square School-house, from June 25 to July 5, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to William L. Lovejoy. (See p. 315.)

Ordered, That there be paid to William L. Lovejoy the sum of ten and $\frac{66}{100}$ dollars ($10.66) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Florence-street School-house, from June 24 to July 1, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Nellie Watson. (See p. 316.)

Ordered, That there be paid to Nellie Watson the sum of eighteen and $\frac{33}{100}$ dollars ($18.33) for services rendered by her as acting janitor of the Heath-street School-house, from July 9 to July 31, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Nelson Weston. (See p. 316.)

Ordered, That there be paid to Nelson Weston, janitor of the Bowdoin School-house, the sum of three dollars ($3) for extra services rendered in connection with the graduating exercises of the Phillips School, held in said building on June 25, 1903.

Payment to Mary G. Walsh. (See p. 316.)

Ordered, That there be paid to Mary G. Walsh the sum of twenty-five and $\frac{33}{100}$ dollars ($25.33) for services rendered by her as substitute clerk in the office of the Schoolhouse Custodian, from July 27 to Aug. 17, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Edward T. Curley. (See p. 316.)

Ordered, That there be paid to Edward T. Curley the sum of thirty-four and $\frac{99}{100}$ dollars ($34.99) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Oak-square School-house, from July 6 to Aug. 18, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Patrick H. Brennan. (See p. 316.)

Ordered, That there be paid to Patrick H. Brennan the sum of sixty-two and $\frac{67}{100}$ dollars ($62.67) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Florence-street School-house, from July 2 to Aug. 18, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Henry T. Allchin. (See p. 317.)

Ordered, That there be paid to Henry T. Allchin the sum of thirteen and $\frac{67}{100}$ dollars ($13.67) for services rendered by him as substitute janitor from Aug. 19 to Aug. 28, 1903, inclusive.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Dorchester High School. — Sarah L. Dyer, assistant, Sept. 23, 1903. Resignations.

Bennett District. — Mabel L. Chapman, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Bigelow District. — Evelyn M. Howe, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903; Margarette H. Price, assistant, Primary School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Eliot District. — Margaret V. McManus, assistant, Kindergarten, Sept. 24, 1903.

Hancock District. — Anne R. Howard, principal, Kindergarten, Oct. 1, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Sarah E. Lakeman, first assistant, Primary School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Longfellow District. — Hattie L. Littlefield, assistant, Grammar School, Oct. 13, 1903.

Mather District. — Alice G. Williams, assistant, Grammar School, Oct. 7, 1903.

Norcross District. — Cherrie W. St. Clair, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Mary A. H. Fuller, assistant, Grammar School, Nov. 1, 1903.

Prince District. — Rosalie C. Williams, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Shurtleff District. — Margaret M. Ring, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 13, 1903.

Washington Allston District. — Jessie G. Prescott, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1903.

School on Spectacle Island. — Stephen W. Ferguson, teacher, Sept. 1, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations, and transfers, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him

as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Bowditch District. — Ethel M. Coe, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Sara D. Davidson, Boston, C. Isabel Mention, Boston, Jennie L. Shackley, Boston, Primary Schools, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Chapman District. — Margaret M. A. Kennedy, Boston, Grace E. Fogg, Boston, Primary Schools, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Charles Sumner District. — Mary J. Haggerty, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Ethelyn C. Hallstrom, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Dearborn District. — Elizabeth W. O'Connell, Boston, Carrie M. Wellington, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Dillaway District. — Martha L. Reid, Boston, from Sept. 9, 1903; Lena Lee, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 14, 1903; Imogene L. Owen, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 15, 1903.

Edward Everett District. — Caroline R. Pulsifer, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Frothingham District. — Jennie L. Quirk, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Hancock District. — Ida E. Ansley, Boston, Mary L. Sullivan, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Mary F. Montrose, Boston, Emma L. Spratt, Boston, Primary Schools, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Mary A. Watson, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 11, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Mary G. McDermott, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 9, until Sept. 11, 1903, inclusive.

Lewis District. — C. Isabel Mention, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 17, 1903.

Lincoln District. — Edith E. Cox, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 14, 1903; Josephine F. Sullivan, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Mary A. Dunican, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 15, until Sept. 18, 1903, inclusive: Pauline E. Voelpel, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Anna L. Sullivan, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Longfellow District. — Mabel L. Chapman, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 16, 1903; Adelaide B. Hearn, Boston, Kindergarten, Sept. 16, 1903.

Lyman District. — Alice D. Burke, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Anna F. Cotter, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, until Sept. 18, 1903, inclusive; Sarah C. Needham, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Clara H. Allen, Boston, Rose E. McEnaney, Boston, Primary Schools, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Martin District. — Mary E. Mahan, Natick, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Norcross District. — Josephine C. Lithgow, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 15, 1903.

Phillips District. — Annie L. Curly, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Elizabeth M. O'Donnell, Boston, Mary A. L. Timony, Boston, Primary Schools, from Sept. 14, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — S. Theodosia Folsom, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Prescott District. — Agnes C. Flynn, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept, 9, 1903.

Quincy District. — Azniv Beshgeturian, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Rice School. — Elizabeth E. Haggerty, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Roger Clap District. — Florence M. Bell, Boston, Margaret A. Murphy, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Sherwin District. — Alice M. Colleton, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 21, 1903.

Warren District. — Rosalind W. Henderson, Medford, Kindergarten, from Sept. 14, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Mechanic Arts High School. — Ivory F. Frisbee, Boston, junior-master, from Sept. 14, 1903; Josephine M. Curry, Boston, assistant instructor, from Sept. 14, 1903.

Adams District. — Catherine P. Bishop, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Chapman District. — Caroline Swift, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Edward Everett District. — Mae H. Bromley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Gaston District. — Myrtle M. C. Linkletter, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

George Putnam District. — Sarah E. French, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 21, 1903; Delia Condron, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Harvard District. — Mary M. Simpson, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Caroline G. Tunis, Cambridge, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Lincoln District. — Helen M. Waterman, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, until Sept. 11, 1903, inclusive.

Phillips District. — Johanna J. O'Neill, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Alice McGillicuddy, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Clara E. Glover, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Quincy District. — Helena M. Follen, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 14, 1903; Margaret C. Donovan, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, until Sept. 11, 1903, inclusive.

Winthrop District. — Annie E. McWilliams, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 18, 1903.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

Girls' Latin School. — Esther L. Sanborn, Boston, assistant, from Sept. 20, 1903. On probation.

English High School. — John J. Cadigan, Boston, junior-master, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Girls' High School. — Adeline L. Sylvester, Boston, assistant principal, from Sept. 9, 1903; Louise M. Endicott, Canton, assistant, from Sept. 21, 1903; Ellen I. Tryon, Cambridge, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Adams District. — Mary E. Kennedy, Braintree, assistant, Kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Bennett District. — Gertrude B. Sanderson, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Bigelow District. — Katherine C. McDonnell, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Bowdoin District. — Bertha F. Drake, Reading, assistant, Kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Chapman District. — Jessie C. Skinner, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Sept. 9, 1903; Annie C. Deering, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Sept. 9, 1903; Adelaide M. Clarke, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Eliot District. — Lura A. Chase, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Annie E. Regan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Sept. 9, 1903; Etta C. Ernst, Boston, Ida E. Malaney, Boston, assistants, Primary Schools, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Franklin District. — Frances S. Jordan, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

George Putnam District. — Minnie E. Farnsworth, Malden, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Oct. 19, 1903.

Gilbert Stuart District. — Mary E. Walsh, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 10, 1903.

Hancock District. — Anna T. Dinand, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Sept. 9, 1903; Margaret V. Meade, Boston, principal, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Martha G. Breckenridge, Boston, principal, Kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Annie E. George, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Lewis District. — M. Genevieve Kiely, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Caroline M. Sproul, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Longfellow District. — Jennie N. Haxton, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Lyman District. — Arthur A. Jordan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, third year, from Sept. 9, 1903; Marion R. Fenno, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 14, 1903.

Mather District. — Alice M. Hackard, Newport, R. I., assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Oct. 8, 1903.

Norcross District. — Bertha J. Rich, Hyde Park, assistant, Primary School, fourth year, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Mary A. Daly, Boston, principal, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Prescott District. — Esther F. Sullivan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Prince District. — Inez A. Hunt, Malden, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Sept. 18, 1903.

Robert G. Shaw District. — Anna L. Maguire, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Roger Wolcott District. — Mary W. Baker, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Sept. 9, 1903; Sadie W. Jenkins, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Shurtleff District. — Abbie S. Mendell, Boston, assistant, Primary School, fourth year, from Sept. 14, 1903; Katherine S. Haskell, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Warren District. — Alice V. Tuttle, Chelsea, principal, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Washington Allston District. — Marion E. Hood, Cambridge, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept 9, 1903.

Schools of Cookery. — Grace B. Nichols, Reading, instructor, from Sept. 14, 1903.

Instructor of Sewing. — Nida F. Vesper, Boston, from Sept. 14, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Mechanic Arts High School. — Katharine E. Leonard, special instructor. Confirmations.

Bennett District. — Jennie M. Good, assistant, Primary School.

Bowditch District. — Florence J. Ferguson, assistant, Kindergarten.

Bunker Hill District. — Anastasia F. Murphy, assistant, Primary School.

Chapman District. — S. Catherine Smith, assistant, Grammar School.

Dudley District. — Lucy E. Low, assistant, Kindergarten.

Dwight District. — Mary F. Callahan, assistant, Grammar School.

Edward Everett District. — Marion E. Buswell, assisttant, Grammar School.

Eliot District. — Agnes L. McMahan, assistant, Primary School.

Gilbert Stuart District. — Lucy D. Ellis, assistant, Grammar School; E. Mabel Gibson, principal, Kindergarten.

Hancock District. — Katherine M. Sullivan, assistant, Primary School; Edith Wordell, assistant, Kindergarten.

Harvard District. — Alice M. Purinton, assistant, Kindergarten.

Longfellow District. — Emma L. Dahl, assistant, Grammar School; Hilda G. Watkins, assistant, Primary School.

Mather District. — Elizabeth T. Cloney, assistant, Grammar School.

Phillips District. — Nellie M. Sullivan, assistant, Grammar School.

Prescott District. — Grace A. Reed, assistant, Grammar School.

Quincy District. — Edith C. Johnson, assistant, Kindergarten.

Roger Clap District. — Jessie D. Stoddard, first assistant, Grammar School; Lucy B. Conner, assistant, Grammar School; Mary E. Griffin, assistant, Primary School.

Roger Wolcott District. — Charlotte A. Fraser, assistant, Primary School.

Shurtleff District. — Florence H. Murray, principal, Kindergarten.

Warren District. — M. Alice O'Connell, assistant, Kindergarten.

Washington Allston District. — Annie L. McCarty, principal, Kindergarten.

Wells District. — Judith E. Dugan, assistant, Grammar School; Mary E. Durgin, Mary R. McNamara, Grace A. Stone, assistants, Primary Schools.

Horace Mann School. — Mary B. Adams, assistant.

Manual Training Schools. — Celia B. Hallstrom, George F. Hatch, Alexander Miller, Mary E. Pierce, instructors.

Laid over, under the rule.

TRANSFERS.

Chapman District. — S. Catherine Smith, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Primary School of the same district, to date from Sept. 9, 1903. Edith H. Wood, assistant, Primary School, to the same position in the Grammar School of the same district, to date from Sept. 9, 1903. Transfers.

George Putnam District. — Ede F. Travis, assistant, Primary School, to the same position in the Grammar School of the same district, to date from Sept. 9, 1903. Maud L. Parker, assistant, Primary School, to the same position in the Grammar School of the Prescott District, to date from Sept. 21, 1903.

Hancock District. — Mary A. Kirby, assistant, Primary School, on probation, to the same position, on probation, in the Grammar School of the same district, to date from Oct. 1, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Margaret J. Schenck, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Primary School of the same district, to date from Sept. 9, 1903.

Lincoln District. — Hannah L. Manson, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Primary School, of the same district, to date from Sept. 14, 1903.

Phillips District. — Julia T. A. Maloy, assistant, Kindergarten, to the same position in the Roger Wolcott District, to date from Sept. 17, 1903.

Shurtleff District. — Sarah T. Driscoll, assistant, Primary School, to the same position in the Grammar School of the same district, to date from Sept. 14, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:

Bennett District. — Jennie M. Chandler, Boston, substitute for Katherine McNamara, assistant, Grammar School, granted leave of absence.

Bowditch District. — Elsie R. Cowdrey, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Oct. 15, 1903; Mabel J. Neil, Boston, substitute.

Chapman District. — Mary E. Buffum, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Oct. 19, 1903; Beatrice E. Strong, Boston, substitute.

Dearborn District. — Lizzie M. Hersey, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Dec. 9, 1903; Mary M. Gallivan, Holbrook, substitute.

Dillaway District. — Helen C. Mills, first assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 1, 1904; Katherine Keenan, Boston, substitute. Abby M. Clark, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 1, 1904.

Emerson District. — Ellen S. Bloomfield, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Nov. 1, 1903; Mary A. Peffers, Stoneham, substitute. Ethel C. Brown, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Dec. 1, 1903; Sarah E. McNeill, Boston, substitute.

Franklin District. — Octavia L. Cram, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Nov. 25, 1903; Mary Nicolson, Boston, substitute.

Gaston District. — Carrie M. Kingman, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 1, 1904; Jennie G. J. Cox, Boston, substitute.

Lawrence District. — M. Louise Gillett, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 9,

1904; Annie G. Hughes, Boston, substitute. Maud A. Gleason, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Dec. 20, 1903; Florence R. Faxon, Quincy, substitute.

Lincoln District. — K. Gertrude Marden, substitute for Florence O. Bean, assistant, Grammar School, granted leave of absence.

Norcross District. — Alice W. Baker, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 9, 1904; Roxana L. Johnston, Boston, substitute.

Phillips Brooks District. — Mary C. Drum, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 14, 1903, until Jan. 14, 1904; Dora E. McCarty, Boston, substitute.

Washington Allston District. — Jessie W. Kelly, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 1, 1904; Florence M. Homer, Boston, substitute.

Wells District. — Mary Lillis, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 1, 1904.

Winthrop District. — Emma A. Gordon, assistant, Grammar School from Sept. 9, 1903, until Dec. 9, 1903; Martha E. Tracy, Boston, substitute.

The following appointments and transfer, accompanied by written statements by the Superintendent of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto, were presented for approval:

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Henry L. Pierce District. — Eva H. S. Lucas, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903. Temporary teacher.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointment, and the appointment was placed on file. Rules suspended.

ON PROBATION.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Elinore G. Lynch, Boston, first assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 15, 1903. On probation.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointment, and the appointment was laid over, under the rule. Rules suspended.

TRANSFER.

Transfer of a teacher.

Lewis District. — Jessie Tishler, assistant, Grammar School, on probation, to the same position in the Primary School, on probation, in the same district, to date from Sept. 9, 1903.

Rules suspended.

The rules were suspended to permit the transfer, and the transfer was laid over, under the rule.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence to Elizabeth R. Brower.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified, on half-pay, and her resignation was accepted to take effect Oct. 1, 1904.

Rules suspended.

Harvard District. — Elizabeth R. Brower, assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 1, 1903, until Oct. 1, 1904.

EVENING DRAWING SCHOOLS.

Principals, Evening Drawing Schools.

The following appointments of Principals of Evening Drawing Schools for the term 1903–04, made by the Superintendent, and to date from Oct. 5, 1903, were presented for the approval of the Board.

Masters. — George H. Bartlett, Arlington; George Jepson, Boston.

Principals. — Charles L. Adams, Boston; Alexander Miller, Boston; Albert L. Ware, Boston.

Rules suspended.

The rules were suspended, and the appointments approved by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, and Storrow — 20.

Nays: None.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Burrill, Gallivan, McDonald, and Vogel.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

The following appointment of a principal of an Evening School, for the term 1903–04, made by the Superintendent, and to date from Sept. 28, 1903, was presented for the approval of the Board: Evening School Principals.

Moon-street Evening School. — Benjamin J. Hinds, Stoneham.

Laid over, under the rule.

Subsequently, the following appointment of a Principal of an Evening School, for the term 1903–04, made by the Superintendent, and to date from Sept. 28, 1903, was presented for the approval of the Board:

Roxbury Evening High School. — Lyman G. Smith, Cambridge.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the rules were suspended and both of the foregoing appointments approved by the following vote: Rules suspended.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Merritt, Mulvey, Pierce, and Storrow — 18. Yeas and nays.

Nays: None.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Bolster, Clark, Gallivan, McDonald, Paine, and Vogel.

The following appointments of instructors in the Evening High and Evening Elementary Schools for the term 1903–04, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board: Instructors, Evening High and Elementary Schools.

Central High School. — Assistants, Gardner P. Balch, Boston, William H. Brown, Boston, John J. Cadigan, Boston, John M. Connolly, Boston, Frank M. Copeland, Newton, William R. P. Emerson, Boston, Ivory F.

Frisbee, Boston, Peter F. Gartland, Boston, William H. Godfrey, Boston, E. Emmons Grover, Boston, William W. Howe, Boston, Edwin A. Howes, Boston, John M. Hussey, Cambridge, Henry Johnston, Boston, Samuel W. Mendum, Woburn, Arthur B. Morong, Boston, Herbert L. Morse, Boston, W. Lawrence Murphy, Boston, Edward P. O'Hara, Boston, Henry Pennypacker, Cambridge, Frank E. Poole, Boston, George W. Ransom, Boston, Camille Ried, Boston, Everett C. Roché, Cambridge, Henry C. Shaw, Boston, Arthur T. Smith, Cambridge, Frank V. Thompson, Boston, Henry M. Walradt, Needham; (Commercial Branches) William L. Anderson, Boston, Oscar H. Bresee, Boston, Ewing W. Hamlen, Cambridge, James W. Mace, Jr., Boston, John H. Moore, Boston, Ernest V. Page, Boston, Charles A. Taylor, Cambridge; (French) Henri Morand, Boston; (German) Jacob Lehmann, Melrose; (Penmanship) Frank B. Davis, Boston, Charles A. French, Somerville, Leon M. Wallace, Boston, William A. Whitehouse, Somerville; (Special Penmanship) Charles T. Marsh, Boston, to date from Sept. 28, 1903.

Charlestown High School. — Assistants, William C. Crawford, Boston, Joseph C. Dennis, Boston; Arthur Harrington, Boston, Walter L. Harrington, Boston, Frank M. McCutcheon, Boston, Charles F. Merrick, Boston, James M. Murdock, Boston, Charles E. Quirk, Boston, Herbert S. Weaver, Boston; (Commercial Branches) Henry J. Clark, Boston, William Clark, Boston, Mary E. Kelley, Boston, Christina M. McCarthy, Boston; (Bookkeeping and Penmanship) Wendell H. Marden, Boston, Llewellyn O. White, Somerville; (Penmanship) William A. Whitehouse, Somerville; (French) Helen J. McShane, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

East Boston High School. — Assistants, Henry H. Folsom, Somerville, George W. Ransom, Boston, Francis

J. Conlin, Boston; (Commercial Branches) James B. McHugh, Boston, Charles E. Simpson, Winthrop, G. Walter Williams, Waltham, from Sept 28, 1903.

South Boston High School. — Assistants, W. Lawrence Murphy, Boston, Robert L. Emerson, Cambridge, Joseph B. Egan, Cambridge, Abby M. Fitz, Watertown, Austin H. Fittz, Natick, Edwin F. Kimball, Boston, William R. Ransom, Medford; (Commercial Branches), N. Perry Sipprelle, Pawtucket, R. I., from Sept. 28, 1903.

Bowdoin School. — Assistants, B. Ethel Burton, Boston, Alice M. Colleton, Boston, Jennie W. Cronin, Cambridge, Frances A. Curtis, Boston, Helena M. Follen, Boston, Helen M. Horton, Boston, Mary M. Phalen, Boston, Elizabeth M. O'Donnell, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Comins School. — First assistant, Edwin I. Beal Quincy, from Sept. 28, 1903. Assistants, Edith E. Cox, Boston, George B. Hayward, Boston, Jennie M. Jackson, Boston, Arthur A. Jordan, Boston, Margaret M. A. Kennedy, Boston, Anna M. Meyer, Boston, Sarah W. Moulton, Boston, Minna B. Noyes, Boston, Genevra M. Pennoyer, Boston, Martha E. Tracy, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Dearborn School. — Assistants, Elizabeth T. Lavey, Boston, Ann M. Mitchell, Boston, Mary F. Murphy, Boston, Thomas J. Sheahan, Boston, Edward E. Sparhawk, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Eliot School. — First assistant, Julius A. Weigmann, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903. Assistants, Helen W. Bradlee, Brookline, Helen M. Cleveland, Boston, Annie A. Corbett, Boston, M. Gertrude Godvin, Boston, Katherine T. A. Hogan, Boston, Anna E. Keaney, Boston, Katherine C. Kelley, Boston, Annie Lynch, Boston, Mary E. McCormack, Boston, Susan A. McKenna, Westboro, Katherine A. McMurry, Boston, Ida A. Merriam, Boston, Virgil S. Milliken, Boston, Mary A.

O'Neil, Boston, M. Grace Pinkham, Boston, Sigmund Pollak, Boston, Grace H. Smith, Boston, Margaret L. Toole, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Franklin School. — First assistants, James Burrier, Boston, Clarence P. Coburn, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903. Assistants, George B. Buffington, Boston, Violet C. Coates, Boston, Samuel N. Cohen, Boston, Frances L. Crane, Boston, Mary J. Cullen, Boston, Adalena H. Dudley, Boston, Charlotte M. Frost, Boston, Gertrude L. Hodges, Boston, Emma B. Huse, Boston, Mary A. G. Jones, Boston, Louis Leyser, Boston, Mary T. Lyons, Boston, Marion A. McIntyre, Boston, Jessie L. Nolte, Boston, Elizabeth E. O'Connell, Boston, Johanna J. O'Neill, Boston, Elizabeth R. Phelan, Boston, May M. Stetson, Boston, Sarah F. Woodworth, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Hancock School. — First assistant, Edward F. O'Dowd, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903. Assistants, Idabel F. Butler, Boston, Margaret Coyle, Melrose, Helen A. Fleming, Boston, Anna J. Griffin, Boston, Mary C. Leonard, Boston, Alice McGillicuddy, Boston, Marie Morse, Boston, Mary C. Sinnott, Boston, Emma L. Spratt, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Lincoln School. — First assistant, Edson L. Ford, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903. Assistants, Jennie P. Grose, Boston, Elizabeth E. Haggerty, Boston, Anna H. O'Connell, Boston, Annie R. Toye, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Lyman School. — First assistant, William T. Atwood, Wakefield, from Sept. 28, 1903. Assistants, Herbert S. Gay, Boston, Annie G. Hughes, Boston, M. Ursula Magrath, Boston, Rose E. McEnaney, Boston, Sarah E. McNeill, Boston, Mary E. Taylor, Boston, Martha S. Watson, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Mather School. — First assistant, John A. Russell, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903. Assistants, Elvira L.

Austin, Boston, Delia Condron, Boston, Harlan P. Ford, Boston, Alicia G. Frawley, South Weymouth, Mary Kelly, Boston, Alice A. Sanborn, Boston, Helen M. West, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Moon-street School. — Assistants, Carrie L. Barker, Boston, Filena Colby, Boston, Katherine Keenan, Boston, Lena Lee, Boston, Katharine V. McBreen, Boston, Mary Nicolson, Boston, Angela M. Pearce, Boston, Elizabeth M. Shine, Dedham, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Norcross School. — First assistant, John P. Hylan, Exeter, N. H., from Sept. 28, 1903. Assistants, Margaret L. Carolan, Boston, Margaret C. Donovan, Boston, Mary J. Haggerty, Boston, Catherine E. Halligan, Boston, Annie E. McWilliams, Boston, Gertude E. Merrill, Boston, Mary E. Thompson, Billerica, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Quincy School. — First assistant, Joseph T. F. Burrell, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903. Assistants, Albert S. Briggs, Boston, Katherine E. Cotter, Boston, Mabel L. Crowell, Boston, Clara L. Griffiths, Boston, Mary P. Howland, Norwell, Anna J. Harmon, Boston, Howard G. Kingman, Quincy, Margaret C. McCloskey, Boston, Ellen G. McTernan, Boston, Kate V. Tierney, Boston, Calliope S. Vaitses, Melrose, Mary A. Watson, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Warren School. — First assistant, Arthur Elson, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903. Assistants, Lucy M. Bosworth, Boston, Abby G. Grandison, Boston, Sarah B. C. Lane, Boston, Sarah B. McGlinn, Boston, Jennie L. Quirk, Boston, Gertrude F. Sullivan, Boston, Mary L. Sullivan, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Washington Allston School. — First assistant, John Carroll, Brockton, from Sept. 28, 1903. Assistants, Annie L. Curly, Boston, Hattie C. Kennedy, Boston, F.

Maud McLachlan, Boston, Lillian A. McCall, Boston, May H. Sears, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Wells School.—First assistant, Frank H. Noyes, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903. Assistants, Sidney E. Bailey, Swampscott, Maria L. Brennan, Cambridge, Blanche Burdick, Boston, Mary E. Coveney, Boston, Elmer E. Harris, Boston, Marie F. Hill, Somerville, Leon E. Maglathlin, Cambridge, Ellen T. O'Keefe, Cambridge, Mary W. Perry, Malden, Mary E. Smith, Boston, Stanley A. Starratt, Cambridge, from Sept 28, 1903.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the reading of the foregoing appointments was dispensed with, and they were laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

The following appointments were accompanied by written statements by the Superintendent of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto:

Evening High School. — Lizzie J. Fitzgerald, Boston, assistant (Commercial Branches), from Sept. 28, 1903.

Eliot School. — First Assistant, Bessie C. McBrine, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Bowdoin School. — First Assistant, Ida E. Hall, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Rules suspended.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointments, and the appointments laid over, under the rule.

VACATION SCHOOL.

Instructor, Vacation Schools.

The appointment of the following-named person for service in the designated position in the Vacation Schools during the term 1903, made by the Superintendent and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, was presented for the approval of the Board:

Teacher of Woodworking.

Annie B. Whidden.

Approved, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRES.

Subsequently, the following appointments of the candidates named below as principals of Educational Centres made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, and in pursuance of orders passed by the Board, were presented for approval: Educational Centres.

Bigelow Educational Centre. — Frank V. Thompson, Boston.

Hancock Educational Centre. — Irving M. Norcross, Boston.

Lowell Educational Centre. — Edward P. Sherburne, Boston.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, the rules were suspended, and the appointments approved. Rules suspended.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 51 minors to be licensed as newsboys, of 2 to be licensed as bootblacks, and of 2 to be licensed as pedlers of small wares. Minors' licenses.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of one minor to sell newspapers for having violated the conditions on which said license was granted him. Revocation of a minor's license.

Approved.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Superintendent relative to Normal School; appointment of training teachers, and pupil teachers.

BOSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,
September 22, 1903.

To the School Committee:

Responding to an order passed by the School Committee June 23, 1903 (see Minutes, page 298), requesting the Superintendent "to suggest such special legislation as will permit him to experiment at the earliest possible date upon the provisions as set forth in Sections 289 and 290 of the proposed amendments, such experiments being in accordance with the suggestions in his report of 1902, page 23," I respectfully submit the following provisions:

1. The Superintendent may, after consultation with the principals of schools, appoint a sufficient number of teachers in the primary and grammar schools to give practical instruction in the art of teaching to the recent graduates of the Normal School who desire to receive such instruction. While under such instruction, the graduates shall be designated pupil-teachers.

2. Each training teacher shall be given charge of two classes of grammar or primary pupils, and the teaching in these classes shall be done by two pupil-teachers under the direction of the training teacher.

3. It shall be the duty of the training teachers to give careful and constant supervision to the work of the pupil-teachers, to hold conferences with them regularly for the purpose of suggestion, criticism, and guidance, and, in general, to see that the pupil-teachers receive as thorough a practical training in the art of teaching as the circumstances allow. The training teachers shall be responsible, in the same manner and to the same extent as are all other teachers, for the good conduct and progress of the classes under their charge. They shall make report upon the work of their pupil-teachers in such form and at such times as the Superintendent may direct.

4. The pupil-teachers shall be assigned to the several training teachers by the Superintendent, who may change or annul his assignments at any time. The term of service of a pupil-teacher shall ordinarily be twenty weeks, but this term may be extended not more than ten additional weeks in particular cases for good reasons.

5. The Supervisors shall visit the pupil-teachers and make a written report to the Superintendent upon the teaching and governing ability of each pupil-teacher visited.

6. Training teachers shall receive, in addition to their regular salary, a certain sum per month, and the pupil-teachers a certain sum per day, to be fixed by the Board annually in the month of June.

7. For the present year the training teachers shall receive, in addition to their regular salary, twenty dollars for each month of actual service. The pupil-teachers shall receive one dollar for each day of actual service.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN P. SEAVER,
Superintendent of Public Schools.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, referred to the Committee on the Normal School.

Report of Committee on Accounts; establishment of educational centre in East Boston. (See p. 250.)

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — June 9 — an order that the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings be authorized to start, not earlier than Oct. 1, 1903, an educational centre in East Boston, the expenditure therefor for the balance of the school year not to exceed fifteen hundred dollars, reported that they have carefully considered this matter, and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings is authorized to start, not earlier than Oct. 1, 1903, an educational centre in East Boston, the expenditure therefor for the balance of the school year not to exceed fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500).

The report was accepted.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Keough, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

Mr. Brett, for the Committee on Evening Schools, offered the following:

Establishment of Evening High School in Roxbury.

Ordered, That an Evening High School be established in Roxbury and located in the Roxbury High School building.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Proposed amendment of Regulations; change in qualifications

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended to provide that persons holding certificates of qualification for the position of Grammar School master shall also

required for head-masters of Evening High Schools.

be eligible for appointment as head-master of an Evening High School.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Employment of assistants in physical and chemical laboratories, Central Evening High School.

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools are hereby authorized to employ two assistants in the physical and chemical laboratories in the Central Evening High School during the term 1903–04.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Additional first assistant, Eliot and Franklin Evening Schools.

Ordered, That an additional first assistant be allowed severally in the Eliot and Franklin Evening Schools during the term 1903–04.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Employment of special teacher of penmanship and assistant typewriting dept., Central Evening High School.

Ordered, That the employment of a special teacher of penmanship and of a special assistant in the typewriting department in the Central Evening High School is hereby authorized for the term 1903–04.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Appointment and salary of Secretary, Central Evening High School.

Ordered, That James W. Blaisdell is hereby appointed secretary of the Central Evening High School at a salary of four dollars ($4) per evening, for the term 1903–04, said salary to be in full for all services required of him by the Committee on Evening Schools and by the Committee on Supplies.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Employment of sewing, cookery and

Ordered, That the employment of teachers of sewing, cookery, and woodworking is hereby authorized in such

Evening Elementary Schools during the term 1903–04 where there may be a sufficient number of pupils desirous of instruction in these branches to warrant the establishment of such classes.

woodworking teachers authorized in Evening Elementary Schools.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the employment of a teacher in excess of the number authorized by the Rules be allowed severally in the Dearborn, Mather, and Washington Allston Evening Schools during the term 1903–04, such teachers to conduct the post graduate course of study established in said schools.

Employment of teachers in excess in Dearborn, Mather and Washington Allston Evening Schools.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, to whom was referred from the files of last year a petition from George McKee and other citizens and taxpayers of Ward 25 for the opening of an Evening Elementary School in the William Wirt Warren School-house at North Brighton, reported that after careful consideration of the matter they are of the opinion that it is not advisable to take such action. Your committee therefore recommend that the petitioners be given leave to withdraw.

Report of Committee on Evening Schools on petition for Evening Elementary School at North Brighton.

On motion of Mr. Brock, laid on the table.

Mr. Paine, for the Committee on the Normal School, presented the following report and order:

The Committee on the Normal School recommend that that part of Sect. 281 of the Regulations which prescribes that candidates for admission to the Normal School must have completed a four years' course of study in a Boston High School, or an equivalent course of study with diploma, be suspended in the cases of Miss Minnie B. Penzanski and Miss Anne C. Constantine. Miss Penzanski is a graduate of the Girls' High School, three year course, and

Report of Committee on Normal School; admission of Misses Penzanski and Constantine to Normal School.

on account of illness was only able to complete about one-half of the advanced course. She subsequently took a special course of one year at Boston University, receiving creditable marks. Miss Constantine completed, with the exception of a few weeks, the four-year course of the New York Normal College. She removed to Fitchburg, where she spent one year at the Normal School, receiving a certificate for creditable work. Both have passed the Normal School entrance examination. Your committe therefore recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That Miss Minnie B. Penzanski and Miss Anne C. Constantine be admitted as pupils to the Boston Normal School.

Rules suspended.

Accepted, and the order passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on School Houses; deaths, resignation and appointment of janitors.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, reported the following deaths, resignation, and appointment:

JANITORS.

Deaths.

Frothingham and Frothingham Annex School-Houses. — Warren J. Small, Sept. 14, 1903.

Harbor View-street, Harbor View-street Portable No. 59, and Mayflower School-houses. — Nathaniel H. Hall, Sept. 11, 1903.

Placed on file.

Resignation.

Old Gibson School Annex. — Thomas Kinsley, to date from Aug. 31, 1903.

Accepted.

Appointment.

Glenway School Annex. — Margaret Kelly, to date from Sept. 5, 1903.

Approved.

Report of Committee on School Houses; taking of land from Ticknor and John A. Andrew School estates.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee reported that in consequence of the widening of Dorchester street, South Boston, the Board of Street Commissioners has taken three thousand six hundred thirty-four (3,634) square feet of the Ticknor School estate, including a part of the building, for which said Board has awarded damages in the sum of eleven thousand nine hundred five and $\frac{90}{100}$ dollars ($11,905.90), and has also taken eight hundred fourteen (814) square feet of the John A. Andrew School estate, for which the sum of one thousand five hundred seventy-one dollars ($1,571) has been awarded. These takings will probably not interfere with the school occupancy of the premises affected during the terms of 1904 and 1905.

Accepted.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, presented the following report and appended order;

Report of Committee on School Houses; expenditure for washing floors of school-houses during summer vacation. (See pp. 209, 249.)

The Committee on School Houses report that at the meeting of May 26 an order was passed authorizing them to expend an amount not exceeding $2,600 for washing the floors of the various school-houses during the summer vacation, and at the meeting of June 9 an order was passed providing that the compensation of janitors for doing this work be fixed by your committee on a square foot basis; provided, however, that the total expenditure should not exceed the aforesaid amount. Your committee report that they have made a very careful investigation of the matter and are of the opinion that payment for this work should be made at the rate of 10½ cents per hundred square feet for wood and iron floors, and 6 cents per hundred square feet for terrazzo, slate, marble, and asphalt floors, and that these rates are reasonable and proper. By direction of your committee the floor areas of the school buildings have been carefully measured, and at these rates the total

expense for washing the floors would be $3,057.12, or $457.12 over the amount estimated by the Committee on Accounts as being sufficient therefor. Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses are hereby authorized to approve the payment of the sum of three thousand fifty-seven and $\frac{12}{100}$ dollars ($3,057.12) for washing the floors of the various school-houses during the summer vacation of 1903.

Accepted, and the order referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Payment to Henry T. Allchin.

Ordered, That there be paid to Henry T. Allchin the sum of four and $\frac{10}{100}$ dollars ($4.10) for services rendered by him as substitute janitor from Aug. 29 to Aug. 31, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Charles H. Bennett.

Ordered, That there be paid to Charles H. Bennett the sum of twenty-five and $\frac{33}{100}$ dollars ($25.33) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, from Aug. 16 to Sept. 4, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salary of clerical assistant, Normal School.

Ordered, That the salary of the clerical assistant in the Normal School be fixed at the rate of five hundred four dollars ($504) per annum, to date from Sept. 9, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salaries of the Head-Masters of the East Boston, Charlestown, and South Boston Evening High Schools be fixed at the rate of five dollars ($5) for each evening of actual service, for the term 1903–04.

Salaries of Head-Masters of East Boston, Charlestown, and South Boston Evening High Schools.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Bird School-house be fixed at the rate of three hundred dollars ($300) per annum, to date from Sept. 1, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of Bird School-house.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Harvest and Boston-streets School-house be fixed at the rate of three hundred dollars ($300) per annum, to date from Sept. 4, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of Harvest and Boston-streets School-house.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Columbia-road School-house be fixed at the rate of ten hundred twenty dollars ($1,020) per annum, to date from Aug. 16, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of Columbia-road School-house.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Westville-street School-house be fixed at the rate of nine hundred dollars ($900) per annum, to date from Aug. 16, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of Westville-street School-house.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings are hereby authorized to continue

Educational centres in Hancock,

Lowell, and Bigelow Districts, and in East Boston.

educational centres in the Hancock, Lowell, and Bigelow Districts, and to establish and conduct a new centre in East Boston.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Reconsideration.

Subsequently, Mr. Keough moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the establishment of an educational centre in East Boston was authorized (see also p. 345), hoping the same would not prevail.

Lost.

Report of Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings on use of school yards to Mass. Emergency and Hygiene Ass'n. [See p. 160.]

Mr. Storrow, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Apr. 14 — a communication from the Massachusetts Emergency and Hygiene Association relative to said association being granted the use of certain school yards for summer playgrounds, reported that the matter has received attention and no further action on the part of the Board is necessary.

Accepted.

Mr. Storrow, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to janitors for services in vacation schools.

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings are hereby authorized to approve the payment of a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100) to janitors for vacation school services during the past summer, in addition to the seven hundred dollars ($700) authorized at the meeting of June 23.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Amendment of Sect. 211 of Regulations; suspension of morning sessions on stormy days; reconsideration. [See p. 318.]

Mrs. Duff, having filed with the Secretary the required notice of her intention so to do, and the Rules having been suspended at the previous meeting in order to permit the motion to be made at this meeting, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby an order that the Regulations be amended by striking out the second paragraph of Sect. 211 was declared passed at the meeting of June 23.

The motion was declared lost.

Mrs. Duff doubted the vote, and on her motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The motion to reconsider was lost by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Brett, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Merritt, and Mulvey — 9. Yeas and nays.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Casey, Cushing, Ernst, Kenny, Keough, Pierce, and Storrow. — 10.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Bolster, Clark, McDonald, Paine, and Vogel.

The following preamble and order was offered on behalf of Mr. Paine:

Whereas, The one-story structure adjoining the Quincy School has been burned and is likely to be replaced by a taller building which will cut off light and air from the school, be it hereby Proposed addition to Quincy School site.

Ordered, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners are requested to inform this Board if there are any funds or appropriations available by which this land might now be obtained if deemed advisable.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

The following was offered on behalf of Mr. Paine:

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses is hereby requested to report to this Board the list of typical requirements for additional accommodations and improvements for which no appropriation was available, as contained in the communication of May 26 from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, and the estimated costs as itemized in their communication of June 4. List of requirements for additional accommodations and improvements in schoolhouses.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, it was

Ordered, That the Superintendent be invited to report the feasibility of so arranging the classes in the various schools throughout the city, in order that as far as feasible and consistent, the classes be so housed as to admit of the youngest pupils being housed on the lower floors of school-houses, and the older children on the upper floors. Proposed rearrangement of classes throughout city.

Proposed addition to new Columbia-road School site.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses consider the advisability of enlarging the yard of the new Columbia-road School-house, by acquiring the triangular parcel of land easterly from said school-house and facing on Columbia road.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following:

Extra compensation, or vacation to, janitors.

Ordered, That janitors who have been deprived of their usual vacation during the past summer in consequence of alterations or repairs having been in progress in buildings under their charge, be granted extra compensation therefor, or allowed a vacation of two weeks during the current school term, as they may elect.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

On motion of Miss Dierkes, it was

Evening High School, Dorchester District.

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools consider the advisability of organizing an Evening High School in the Dorchester District.

The following was offered on behalf of Mr. Bolster:

Proposed authorization of Snow & Lebon's "Easy French."

Ordered, That "Easy French, A First French Reader," by William B. Snow and Charles P. Lebon, published by D. C. Heath & Co., be authorized for use as a text-book in High and Latin Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books.

Mr. Merritt offered the following:

Additional sub-master, Mary Hemenway District.

Ordered, That the employment of an additional sub-master in the Mary Hemenway District is hereby authorized until otherwise ordered.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Casey offered the following.

Site for new Normal School-house.

Ordered, That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to furnish this Board, before its next meeting, with a report of its doings relative to the obtaining of a site for the new Normal School, and also copies of all communications received by said Board of

Schoolhouse Commissioners in which sites are offered and prices given.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

The chair announced the following committee on the Annual Report:

Committee on Annual Report.

James A. McDonald, *Chairman*; Messrs. Ellis and Keough.

Approved.

Mrs. Duff offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Mead-street Primary School-house be increased from two hundred twenty-eight dollars ($228) to four hundred fifty-six dollars ($456) per annum, to date from Oct. 1, 1903.

Salary of janitor of Mead-street School-house.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, October 13, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members.

On motion of Mr. Paine, the records of the last meeting were amended as follows: Substitute the name Alice M. Packard for the name "Alice M. Hackard," as assistant, Grammar School, Mather District, on page 330.

Records amended.

Strike out the word "Evening" and substitute the words: — East Boston, — prefacing the appointment of Lizzie J. Fitzgerald, on page 342.

Insert after the words "Educational Centres" in lines 6 and 7 on page 343 the words, — for the term 1903–1904.

On motion of the same member, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed, as amended.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments, confirmations, and transfers of instructors as presented at the last meeting.

Approval of appointments, confirmations and transfers laid over.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the question was divided and came on approving all of said appointments, confirmations, and transfers, with the exception of the appointment of Adeline L. Sylvester, of Boston, as assistant principal on probation of the Girls' High School, to date from Sept. 9, 1903. [See p. 329.]

The appointments, confirmations, and transfers, with the foregoing exception, were approved.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the appointment of Adeline L. Sylvester was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

Payment to Henry T. Allchin. [See p. 350.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Henry T. Allchin the sum of four and $\frac{10}{100}$ dollars ($4.10) for services rendered by him as substitute janitor from Aug. 29 to Aug. 31, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Charles H. Bennett. [See page 350.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Charles H. Bennett the sum of twenty-five and $\frac{33}{100}$ dollars ($25.33) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house from Aug. 16 to Sept. 4, 1903, inclusive.

Salary of clerical assistant, Normal School. [See p. 350.]

Ordered, That the salary of the clerical assistant in the Normal School be fixed at the rate of five hundred four dollars ($504) per annum, to date from Sept. 9, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salaries of Head-Masters of East Boston, Charlestown, and South Boston Evening High Schools. [See p. 351.]

Ordered, That the salaries of the Head-Masters of the East Boston, Charlestown, and South Boston Evening High Schools be fixed at the rate of five dollars ($5) for each evening of actual service for the term 1903–04.

Salary of janitor of Bird School-house. [See p. 351.]

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Bird School-house be fixed at the rate of three hundred dollars ($300) per annum, to date from Sept. 1, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Salary of janitor of Harvest and Boston-streets School-house. [See p. 351.]

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Harvest and Boston-streets School-house be fixed at the rate of three hundred dollars ($300) per annum, to date from Sept. 4, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, recommitted to the Committee on Salaries.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

Salary of janitor of Columbia-road School-house. [See p. 351.]

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Columbia-road School-house be fixed at the rate of ten hun-

dred twenty dollars ($1,020) per annum, to date from Aug. 16, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Westville-street School-house be fixed at the rate of nine hundred dollars ($900) per annum, to date from Aug. 16, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of Westville-street School-house. (See p. 351.)

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Bowditch District. — Elsie R. Cowdrey, assistant, Grammar School, Oct. 15, 1903.

Franklin District. — Henrietta C. Wort, assistant, Primary School, Oct. 1, 1903.

Gilbert Stuart District. — Janet B. Jordan, first assistant, Primary School, Oct. 1, 1903.

Henry L. Pierce District. — Minnie A. Worden, assistant, Grammar School, Oct. 5, 1903.

Lowell District. — Emma F. Temple, principal, Kindergarten, Oct. 1, 1903.

Thomas N. Hart District. — Mary E. Powell, first assistant, Primary School, Sept. 1, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations, and transfers, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Adams District.— Mary E. Towne, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 21, 1903.

Agassiz District. — Anna T. Kelley, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Bigelow District. — Susan H. Lynch, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 7, 1903; Anna C. MacDonald, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 5, 1903.

Bowdoin District. — Gertrude O. Oppenheim, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Christopher Gibson District. — Jennie G. J. Cox, Boston, Primary School, from Oct. 5, 1903; Violet F. Creber, Boston, Katharine C. Kelley, Boston, Primary Schools, from Sept. 29, 1903.

Comins District. — Elizabeth T. Lavey, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 7, 1903.

Dillaway District. — Gertrude E. Mayo, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 23, 1903.

Dudley District. — B. Pearl Dougher, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 23, 1903; Elizabeth T. Lavey, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 25, until Oct. 6, 1903, inclusive.

Edward Everett District. — Margaret C. Murdoch, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 8, 1903.

Emerson District. — Sarah E. McNeill, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 21, 1903.

Frothingham District. — Mabel A. Collins, Boston, Grace A. T. Hefron, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Harvard District. — Gertrude F. Sullivan, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 25, 1903.

Henry L. Pierce District. — Eva H. S. Lucas, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 5, 1903.

Hyde District. — Anna F. Cotter, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 6, 1903.

John A. Andrew District. — Anna M. Cogan, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 7, 1903.

Lincoln District. — Rosalie Y. Abbott, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 21, until Sept. 28, 1903, inclusive.

Mather District. — Hattie I. Bowditch, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 8, 1903; Alice M. Cahill, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 28, 1903; Mary A. Dunican, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 24, 1903; Mary Smith, Boston, Primary School, from Oct. 12, 1903.

Norcross District. — Bessie E. Kennedy, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 2, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Angela M. Pearce, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 5, 1903; Genevra M. Pennoyer, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 23, 1903; Alice H. Shaw, Boston, Primary School, from Oct. 5, 1903.

Washington Allston District. — Margaret T. Casey, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 25, 1903; Minnie B. Conant, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Winthrop District. — Marguerite C. Cronan, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 29, 1903; Lillian A. McCall, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 30, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Dorchester High School. — Helen C. Bacon, Boston, assistant, from Sept. 22, 1903; Arthur Elson, Boston, assistant, from Sept. 23, 1903; Catharine M. McGinley, Boston, assistant, from Sept. 21, 1903.

Girls' High School. — Gertrude P. Davis, Boston, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Bowdoin District. — Caroline R. Pulsifer, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 5, 1903.

Comins District. — Elizabeth M. Shine, Dedham, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, until Sept. 30, 1903, inclusive.

Emerson District. — Helen M. Horton, Boston, assistant Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Gaston District. — Elizabeth A. Freeto, Marblehead, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

John A. Andrew District. — Helen M. Waterman, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Florence R. Faxon, Quincy, assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 2, 1903; Leon E. Maglathlin, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from

Oct. 8, 1903; Stanley A. Starrett, Cambridge, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 28, until Oct. 7, 1903, inclusive.

Lewis District. — Clotilda A. Delaney, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 5, 1903.

Phillips District. — Amy A. Snelling, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Sept. 18, 1903.

Prescott District. — Gertrude O. Oppenheim, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, until Sept. 18, 1903, inclusive.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

East Boston High School. — Emma B. Harris, Medford, assistant, from Oct. 14, 1903; Anna M. Linscott, Boston, assistant, from Sept. 10, 1903.

Bigelow District. — Alice M. Mulrey, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 5, 1903.

Chapman District. — Caroline Swift, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Oct. 14, 1903.

Christopher Gibson District. — Mary A. McNaught, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, third year, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Dillaway District. — Martha L. Reid, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 5, 1903.

Eliot District. — Mary A. Cahill, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Sept. 24, 1903.

Franklin District. — Charlotte E. Romer, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Oct. 1, 1903.

George Putnam District. — Imogene L. Owen, Boston assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 19, 1903.

Gilbert Stuart District. — Carrie M. Weis, Boston, first assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Hancock District. —Sarah Bowers, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Hyde District. — Alice G. Mace, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Lowell District. — Beatrice H. Gunn, Boston, principal, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1903; Christine H. Hamilton, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Ellen L. Coughlan, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 5, 1903.

Thomas N. Hart District. — Mae I. Wigley, Boston, principal, Kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Warren District. — Rosalind W. Henderson, Medford, assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 12, 1903.

Wells District. — Lilian C. Burbank, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Sept. 9, 1903; Helen J. Gormley, Boston, Henrietta A. Sullivan, Boston, assistants, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Josephine Smith, Boston, assistant, Primary School, fourth year, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Instructors of Sewing.—Agnes E. McDonald, Boston, from Sept. 22, 1903; Margaret J. Murphy, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

South Boston High School. — Minnie L. Butland, assistant. Confirmations.

Edward Everett District. — Anna M. Horsford, assistant, Primary School.

Franklin District. — Rose A. Plunkett, Ruth D. Stevens, assistants, Grammar School.

Frothingham District. — Jennie F. Randall, assistant, Primary School.

Harvard District. — Fanny E. Jennison, assistant, Grammar School.

Lewis District. — Ellen G. Hayden, assistant, Grammar School.

Martin District. — Theresa L. McCarthy, assistant, Grammar School.

Minot District. — W. Stanwood Field, sub-master.

Norcross District. — Eva Steele, assistant, Grammar School.

Phillips District. — Nellie M. Foley, assistant, Grammar School.

Prescott District. — Mary R. Fitzgerald, assistant, Primary School.

Roger Clap District. — Mabel A. Woodward, assistant, Grammar School; La Vinia E. Stewart, assistant, Primary School.

Roger Wolcott District. — Blanche I. Evans, Alice G. Meade, assistants, Grammar School; Annie G. Shay, assistant, Primary School.

Washington Allston District. — Elva E. Buck, assistant, Grammar School.

Wells District. — Elizabeth M. Keefe, assistant, Primary School.

Instructor of Sewing. — Margaret C. Crane.

Laid over, under the rule.

TRANSFERS.

Transfers of teachers.

Charlestown High School. — Malcolm D. Barrows, junior-master, to the same position in the English High School, to date from Oct. 1, 1903; Elizabeth G. Dowd, assistant, to the same position in the Dorchester High School, to date from Nov. 1, 1903.

Emerson District. — Olive A. Kee, assistant, Primary School, on probation, to the same position, on probation, in the Grammar School in the same district, to date from Sept. 21, 1903.

George Putnam District. — Lillian K. Lewis, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Lincoln District, to date from Oct. 15, 1903.

Lyman District. — Isabel P. Reagh, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Bowditch District, to date from Oct. 15, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Instructors, Evening Schools.

The following appointments of instructors in the Evening High, Evening Elementary and Evening Drawing Schools, and of a principal of the Evening Drawing School for the study of Design for the term 1903–04, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

Roxbury High School. — Assistants, George A. Cowen, Boston, Henry W. Kirmayer, Boston, Irving H. Upton, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903; N. Henry Black, Cambridge, Allan L. Sedley, Boston, from Sept. 29, 1903; Hewitt G. Fletcher, Cambridge, from Oct. 1, 1903; James M. Nowland, Quincy, George F. Partridge, Boston, from Oct. 5, 1903; Charles C. Harriman, Cambridge, from Oct. 6, 1903; (Commercial Branches) Leon C. Colman, Sanbornville, N. H., from Sept. 30, 1903; Georgiana V. Wait, Waltham, from Oct. 5, 1903; (Penmanship) Henry C. Kendall, Boston, from Sept. 29, 1903.

South Boston High School. — Assistants, Carroll M. Austin, Boston, William I. Corthell, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903; Myron W. Richardson, Boston, from Sept. 29, 1903; Boyd Bartlett, Chelsea, Eben W. Gaynor, Boston, Arthur A. Jordan, Boston, from Oct. 5, 1903; Frederick W. Shattuck, Boston, from Oct. 7, 1903; W. Stanwood Field, Boston, from Oct. 12, 1903.

Bowdoin School. — Assistant, Marguerite C. Cronan, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Comins School. — Assistants, Alice A. Doherty, Boston, from Oct. 2, 1903; Catherine G. Sheahan,

Boston, from Oct. 5, 1903; Caroline G. Tunis, Cambridge, from Oct. 9, 1903.

Eliot School. — Assistants, Katherine G. O'Donnell, Boston, from Sept. 30, 1903; Theresa V. Arato, Boston, from Oct. 7, 1903.

Moon-street School. — First assistant, Lewis T. Howard, Boston, from Oct. 12, 1903.

Warren School. — Assistants, Bertha F. Dodge, Boston, Florence J. Preston, Everett, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Rules suspended.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Brett, the rules were suspended and the foregoing appointments of Evening School teachers approved.

EVENING DRAWING SCHOOLS.

Instructors, Evening Drawing Schools.

Assistants, Herbert W. Adams, Boston, Richard Andrew, Boston, Anna K. Blaisdell, Malden, Annie E. Blake, Arlington, Stephen B. Boyd, Malden, William B. Bradford, Somerville, James Brough, Boston, William F. Brown, Boston, Henry K. Burrison, Newton, J. Albert Cole, Newton, William P. Edwards, Boston, John L. Frisbee, Everett, Joseph A. Frizzell, Boston, Felix A. Gendrot, Boston, Josiah P. Hayward, Malden, William L. Judkins, Boston, Edward R. Kingsbury, Boston, Arthur E. Norton, Cambridge, Henry W. Poor, Medford, Charles W. Sawyer, Boston, Albert F. Schmitt, Boston, Minnie S. Seaver, Boston, William L. Skinner, Cambridge, Herbert D. White, Malden, from Oct. 12, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

School for the Study of Design. — Principal, Vesper L. George, Malden, from Oct. 5, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leaves of absence granted; sub-

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers

for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: stitutes approved.

South Boston High School. — Marie A. Solano, assistant, from Oct. 5, 1903, until Oct. 30, 1903, Grace V. Lynch, Boston, substitute.

Agassiz District. — Josephine Fokes, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 9, 1904; Alice M. Chenery, Boston, substitute.

Bennett District. — Charlotte Adams, first assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 21, 1903, until Dec. 1, 1903; Anna M. Meyer, Boston, substitute.

Bigelow District. — Mary L. Howard, assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 5, 1903, until Feb. 5, 1904; Minnie A. Kennedy, Boston, substitute.

Dillaway District — Lena Lee, Boston, substitute for Abby M. Clark, assistant, Grammar School, granted leave of absence.

Dudley District. — Kate F. Crosby, assistant, Kindergarten, from Sept. 23, 1903, until Dec. 23, 1903; Blanche G. F. Horner, Boston, substitute.

Gaston District. — Emma S. McNamara, Cambridge, substitute for Carrie M. Kingman, assistant, Grammar School, granted leave of absence.

Hyde District. — Louise A. Kelley, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 28, 1903, until Nov. 1, 1903; Mary E. McCormick, Boston, substitute.

Lawrence District. — Isabella F. Crapo, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 9, 1904; Marcella F. Dowd, Boston, substitute.

Lyman District. — Annie M. Wilcox, first assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 21, 1903, until Nov. 1, 1903.

Roger Clap District. — May C. McDonough, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 2, 1904.

Shurtleff District. — Alice C. Ryan, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903, until Jan. 1, 1904.

Manual Training Schools. — Louise H. Billings, assistant instructor, from Oct. 5, 1903, until Nov. 4, 1903; Delia E. Donahue, Medford, substitute.

The following appointments were accompanied by written statements by the Superintendent of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto:

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Roxbury High School. — Mary T. Loughlin, Boston, assistant, from Sept. 14, 1903.

Emerson District. — Lucy A. O'Brien, Arlington, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Harvard District. — Mary C. Leonard, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Roger Wolcott District. — Amy H. Lothrop, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 23, until Sept. 25, 1903, inclusive.

Rules suspended.

The rules were suspended to permit the foregoing appointments, and the appointments placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Roger Wolcott District. — Katherine V. Rowe, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Rules suspended.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointment, and the appointment laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Instructors, Evening Schools.

Roxbury High School. — Assistant, Charles C. Haines, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Moon-street School. — First assistant, Mary E. Hanney, Boston, from Sept. 28, until Oct. 9, 1903, inclusive.

Mather School. — Assistant in charge of post-graduate course of study, Bessie A. Roberts, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Warren School. — Teacher of Cookery, Josephine Morris, Boston, from Oct. 5, 1903.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointments, and the appointments subsequently were approved under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

The following appointments, made by the Superintendent, in pursuance of special orders passed by the Board, were presented for approval:

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Lyman School. — Charles E. Quirk, Boston, sub-master, from Sept. 21, 1903. Temporary teacher.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

Mary Hemenway District. — Harlan P. Ford, Boston, sub-master, from Sept. 23, 1903. On probation.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOL.

Warren School. — Teacher of Sewing, Ellen E. MacHugh, Boston, from Oct. 5, 1903. Instructor, Evening School.

Laid over, under the rule.

Subsequently, the foregoing appointment was approved, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRES.

The appointments of the candidates named below as teachers in the Educational Centres for the season of 1903–1904, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, and orders passed by the Board, were presented for approval: Educational Centres.

PRINCIPAL.

East Boston Educational Centre. — Herbert L. Morse, Boston.

TEACHERS.

Bigelow Educational Centre. — Helen A. Brick, Boston, Mary H. Brick, Boston, Annie T. Burke, Boston, Teresa L. Carlin, Boston, Elizabeth D. Chadwell, Lynn, Anna M. Cogan, Boston, Margaret A. M. Collins, Boston, Alicia I. Collison, Boston, Jennie G. J. Cox, Boston, Marcella F. Dowd, Boston, Edward C. Emerson, Cambridge, Anastasia Gannon, Boston, Sarah A. Horan, Boston, Mary E. Jones, Boston, Charlotte A. Kendall, Quincy, Mary F. Keyes, Boston, Agnes R. Leahy, Boston, Grace V. Lynch, Boston, Mary L. E. McCormick, Boston, Mary G. McDermott, Boston, William G. S. McIntyre, Milton, Anna F. Moran, Boston, Sara C. Selby, Boston, Henrietta L. Stumpf, Boston, Josephine F. Sullivan, Boston, Katherine F. Sullivan, Boston, Elizabeth G. Tracy, Dedham, Annie C. Webber, Boston, Anna M. White, Boston, Mary A. Wogan, Boston.

Hancock Educational Centre. — Mary L. Bibbey, Boston, Matilda F. Bibbey, Boston, Agnes E. McDonald, Boston, E. Lillian Mitchell, Boston, Anna S. Streyffert, Boston, Mary R. Thomas, Boston, Florence I. Waitt, Malden, Annie C. Webber, Boston.

Lowell Educational Centre. — Eldora M. S. Bowen, Boston, Ellen M. Finnerty, Boston, Nina M. George, Boston, Margaret J. Murphy, Boston.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Keough, the rules were suspended, and the appointment of Herbert L. Morse as principal of the East Boston Educational Centre was approved.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the provision in Section 155 of the Regulations that no female teacher of the public day schools shall serve in an evening school was suspended in connection with the foregoing appointments to Educational Centres, and the appointments were laid over, under the rule.

The following appointment, made by the Superintendent, was reported for approval:

PRINCIPAL.

Harvard District. — Henry C. Parker, Reading, Master, from Nov. 1, 1903. Appointment of a Principal.

Laid over, under the rule.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of 103 minors to be licensed as newsboys, and of one minor to be licensed as a bootblack. Minors' licenses.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of one minor to sell newspapers for having violated the conditions on which said license was granted him.

Approved.

The following communication from the Superintendent was read: Communication from Superintendent; number of pupils in Boston Public Schools.

NUMBER OF PUPILS IN THE BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS, NOT INCLUDING SPECIAL SCHOOLS AND SPECIAL CLASSES, SEPTEMBER 30, 1903.

The whole number of pupils in the public day schools of Boston (not including those in the two special schools and the seven special classes) as reported September 30, 1903, is 89,178. This number is 2,028 greater than the corresponding number one year ago.

The number of pupils in the Normal School has increased from 228 to 246, a gain of 18.

In the Latin and High Schools, the number of pupils has increased from 6,775 to 7,056, a net gain of 281. The changes have been as follows:

Gains:

Girls' Latin	25
Brighton High	25
Dorchester High	154
East Boston High	55
Carried forward	259

Brought forward	259	
English High	14	
Girls' High	50	
Mechanic Arts High	53	
West Roxbury High	2	
Total Gain		378
Losses:		
Public Latin	12	
Charlestown High	2	
Roxbury High	56	
South Boston High	27	
Total Loss		97
Net Gain		281

In the grammar and primary schools and the kindergartens, the number of pupils has increased from 80,147 to 81,876, a gain of 1,729.

The grammar and primary schools and the kindergartens, taken together by districts, show gains and losses as follows:

First Division (East Boston): All the districts have gained, viz.: The Adams, 89; Chapman, 62; Emerson, 101; Lyman, 188. Net gain, 440.

Second Division (Charlestown): Two districts have gained, viz.: The Bunker Hill, 7; Warren, 16. Total gain, 23. Three districts have lost, viz.: The Frothingham, 49; Harvard, 53; Prescott, 5. Total loss, 107. Net loss, 84.

Third Division (North and West Ends): Three districts have gained, viz.: The Eliot, 20; Phillips, 49; Wells, 149. Total gain, 316. Two districts have lost, viz.; The Bowdoin, 21; Hancock, 40. Total loss, 61. Net gain, 255.

Fourth Division (Central City): All the districts have gained, viz.: The Brimmer, 13; Prince, 13; Quincy, 47; Winthrop, 51. Net gain, 124.

Fifth Division (South End): Three districts have gained, viz.: The Hyde, 9; Rice, 8; Sherwin, 43. Total gain, 60. Three districts have lost, viz.: The Dwight, 31; Everett, 13; Franklin, 52. Total loss, 96. Net loss, 36.

Sixth Division (South Boston): Four districts have gained, viz.: The Bigelow, 79; Gaston, 10; John A. Andrew, 23; Norcross, 81. Total gain, 193. Four districts have lost, viz.: The Lawrence, 1; Lincoln, 7; Shurtleff, 1; Thomas N. Hart, 20. Total loss, 29. Net gain, 164.

Seventh Division (Roxbury): Five districts have gained, viz.: The Comins, 76; Dillaway, 45; George Putnam, 19; Lewis, 97;

Phillips Brooks, 145. Total gain 382. Four districts have lost, viz.: The Dearborn, 31; Dudley, 20; Hugh O'Brien, 13; Martin, 28. Total loss, 92. Net gain, 290.

Eighth Division (West Roxbury and Brighton): Five districts have gained, viz.: The Agassiz, 10; Charles Sumner, 38; Lowell, 32; Robert G. Shaw, 44; Washington Allston, 50. Total gain, 174. Two districts have lost, viz.: The Bennett, 3; Bowditch, 35. Total loss, 38. One district, the Longfellow, has exactly the same number of pupils. Net gain, 136.

Ninth Division (Dorchester): Eight districts have gained, viz.: The Christopher Gibson, 62; Edward Everett, 89; Gilbert Stuart, 32; Henry L. Pierce, 23; Mather, 90; Minot, 46; Roger Clap, 72; Roger Wolcott, 68. Total gain, 482. One district has lost, viz.: The Mary Hemenway, 42. Total loss, 42. Net gain, 440.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN P. SEAVER,
Superintendent of Public Schools.

Placed on file.

Report of Committee on Accounts; expenditure for washing floors of school-houses during summer vacation. [See p. 350.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — Sept. 22 — an order authorizing the Committee on School Houses to approve the payment of $3,057.12 for washing the floors of the various school-houses during the summer vacation of 1903, reported that they have favorably considered the matter and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses are hereby authorized to approve the payment of the sum of three thousand fifty-seven and $\frac{12}{100}$ dollars ($3,057.12) for washing the floors of the various school-houses during the summer vacation of 1903.

Accepted, and the order laid over, under the rule.

Rules suspended.

Subsequently on motion of Mr. Brock the rules were suspended and the order passed.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, reported the following appointments and transfers:

Report of Committee on School Houses; appointments and transfers of janitors.

JANITORS.

Appointments.

Harbor View-street, Harbor View-street Portable No. 59, and Mayflower School-houses. — Martha F. Hall, to date from Sept. 12, 1903.

Skinner School-house. — Robert S. Scott, to date from Oct. 12, 1903.

Approved.

Transfers.

Ira Allen School-house. — Michael B. Sliney, to the same position in the Polk-street and Medford-street School-houses, to date from Oct. 1, 1903.

Polk-street and Medford-street School-houses. — George A. King, to the same position in the Frothingham and Frothingham Annex School-houses, to date from Oct. 1, 1903.

Skinner School-house. — George F. J. Finn, to the same position in the Ira Allen School-house, to date from Oct. 1, 1903.

Approved.

Report of Committee on School Houses; janitorship Sherwin School-house. [See pp. 310, 311.]

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, to whom was recommitted — Sept. 8 — the resignation of Joseph G. Scott as janitor of the Sherwin School-house, to date from Aug. 1, and the proposed transfer of Frederick V. Howe, janitor of the Everett School-house, to the same position in the Sherwin School-house, to date from Aug. 16, reported that they have again considered this matter and recommend the following transfers for the approval of the Board:

Sherwin School-house. — Joseph G. Scott, janitor, to the position of assistant janitor of the same school-house, to date from Aug. 1, 1903.

Everett School-house. — Frederick V. Howe, to the position of janitor of the Sherwin School-house to date from Aug. 16, 1903.

Accepted, and the transfers approved.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salary of janitor of Sherwin School-house.

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Sherwin School-house be established at the rate of nine hundred sixty dollars ($960) per annum for one year,

from Aug. 16, 1903, and thereafter and until otherwise ordered at the rate of thirteen hundred twenty dollars ($1,320) per annum.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the assistant janitor of the Sherwin School-house be established at the rate of three hundred sixty dollars ($360) per annum to date from Aug. 1, 1903, and to terminate July 31, 1904.

Salary assistant janitor, Sherwin School-house.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Sherwin School-house be established at the rate of sixteen hundred eighty dollars ($1,680) per annum for one year, from Aug. 16, 1903, and thereafter and until otherwise ordered at the rate of thirteen hundred and twenty dollars ($1,320) per annum.

Salary of janitor of Sherwin School-house.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, offered the following:

Ordered, That the expenditure of an amount not exceeding forty dollars ($40) for additional temporary clerical assistance for the Schoolhouse Custodian is hereby authorized.

Expenditure for additional clerical assistance for Schoolhouse Custodian.

Laid over, under the rules.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 22 — an order that the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to furnish this Board, before its next meeting, with a report of its doings relative to the obtaining of a site for the new Normal School, and also copies of all communications received by said Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners in which sites are offered and prices given, reported that the information referred to has been received by your committee and is now on file in the office of the Secretary.

Report of Committee on School Houses; site for new Normal School-house. [See pp. 354, 355.]

Accepted.

Subsequently, Mr. Casey moved that an abstract of the information contained in the communication from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners on this subject, be printed and distributed to the members of the Board before the next meeting.

Passed.

Report of Committee on School Houses; extra compensation or vacation to janitors. [See p. 354.]

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 22 — an order that janitors who have been deprived of their usual vacation during the past summer in consequence of alterations or repairs having been in progress in buildings under their charge, be granted extra compensation therefor, or allowed a vacation of two weeks during the current school term, as they may elect, reported that it is not the intention of your committee that any janitor shall be unnecessarily deprived of the vacation to which he is entitled under the rules, and so far as may be found practicable applications of janitors coming within the terms of the order referred, for a vacation during the current school year, will be given favorable consideration.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on School Houses; proposed addition to Quincy School site. [See p. 353.]

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 22 — a preamble and order that the Schoolhouse Commissioners inform this Board if there are any funds or appropriations available by which additional land may now be obtained for the Quincy School if deemed advisable, reported that the Schoolhouse Commissioners have advised your committee that there are no such funds or appropriations.

On motion of Mr. Paine, referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Report of Committee on School Houses; proposed addition to new

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, who were requested — Sept. 22 — to consider the advisability of enlarging the yard of the new Columbia-road Schoolhouse by acquiring a triangular parcel of land easterly

from said school-house and facing on Columbia road, reported that they are informed by the Schoolhouse Commissioners that this school-house was intentionally placed near the easterly line of the lot in order to give a better arrangement and disposition of the grounds, that the nearest window in a class-room is thirty-four feet from said line, and that the Commissioners would not be willing to consider any further expenditure for land for this school. Under these circumstances your committee recommend that no further action on the part of this Board is expedient.

Columbia-road School site. [See p. 354.]

Accepted.

Mr. Harkins offered the following:

Ordered, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to acquire the lot of land referred to in order of Sept. 22, 1903, William E. Russell School site.

Proposed addition to William E. Russell School site.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred — Sept. 22 — an order requesting them to report to this Board the list of typical requirements for additional accommodations and improvements for which no appropriation was available, as contained in the communication of May 26 from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, and the estimated costs as itemized in their communication of June 4, reported that the desired information is contained in the appended statement. In order that there may be no misunderstanding of the scope of this report, your committee desire to call attention to the fact that it is merely a transcript of the information contained in the two communications from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners specified in the order referred, and is in no way expressive of any opinion of your committee on the subject.

Report of Committee on School Houses; list of requirements for additional accommodations and improvements in school-houses. [See p. 353.]

Class I. — Items which cover completion of work already begun, and, in two instances as indicated, increased accommodations as well:

1.	Dorchester High School: Grading $10,000, and changes in building to provide necessary increased accommodations, $20,000.	$30,000
2.	South Boston High School: Completion of grading.	5,000
3.	Bigelow School: Completion of grading of additional land acquired and paid for.	3,500
4.	Chapman School: Completion of grading of additional land acquired and paid for.	4,000
5.	Roger Wolcott School: Completion of an unfulfilled contract for grading.	7,000
6.	Ira Allen School: Of this amount approximately $7,000 will be necessary for the completion of the grounds on which substantially nothing has been done, and the balance, $31,000, is to complete the building according to the original plans, and thus provide additional accommodations in that district which have been asked for.	38,000
7.	Paul Revere School: For erection of an iron fence along the front, plans for which were made a long time since.	2,500
		$90,000

Of the foregoing, items 1 and 5 are the most pressing.

Class II. — Increased accommodations needed in old buildings.

1.	Roxbury High School: This item includes purchase of land and extension of present building. It is impossible to say just how these items will be divided, but it is well known that increased accommodations are necessary in this building.	$75,000
2.	Girls' High School: This item includes certain changes in the upper story of the building which are rendered absolutely necessary in order to provide increased accommodations, not so much in the way of providing for additional pupils as for increased facilities for doing the work.	20,000
	Carried forward,	$95,000

	Brought forward,	$95,000
3.	English High School:	7,000
	This item is to cover certain changes in the interior arrangement of the building in order to remodel certain lecture rooms and make them available for class purposes, and also to provide a proper system of lockers.	
4.	Old Dorchester High School:	12,000
	This item is to cover certain changes and improvements in the building in order to make it reasonably available for school purposes, and thus provide additional accommodations.	
5.	Old East Boston High School:	3,500
	This item is rendered necessary for the same reason as stated in item 4.	
6.	Hugh O'Brien School:	100,000
	This item includes land and an addition to the present building. There are now a large number of portables in this yard, accommodating classes which should be put into permanent quarters.	
7.	Plummer School:	4,000
	This item covers the probable expense of finishing off two class rooms in the upper story for increased accommodations which have been asked for.	
8.	Brighton High School:	40,000
	This includes the purchase of land. This item is rendered necessary by the fact that this building must very shortly be extended in accordance with the original plans of the architect to provide increased accommodations in that district. Certain changes were made last year to provide for the ready growth.	
9.	Cudworth School:	3,000
	This item is to cover certain structural changes in the building in order to strengthen it.	
10.	Francis Parkman School:	60,000
	This item covers the expense of an addition to the building rendered absolutely necessary by the increased accommodations in that district. While it may be necessary to provide this from the $1,500,000 borrowed for new work this year, it is strictly an item which should be covered by the appropriation made for current growth.	
	Carried forward,	$324,500

	Brought forward,	$324,500
11.	Blackinton School: This item provides for an extension to the building, giving increased accommodations in that district which have been asked for.	65,000
12.	Lyman School: This amount provides for continuing the work heretofore begun of strengthening this building.	5,000
		$394,500

While all the foregoing items are important, Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10 are the most pressing.

Class III. — New buildings that are needed to replace old ones which are unsafe or unsanitary. Item 2 should be met with money from the sale of the Winthrop School.

1.	Bailey-street Annex	$30,000	
2.	Brimmer and Winthrop Schools	?	
3.	Hawes Hall	65,000	
4.	North Margin-street School	30,000	
			$125,000
	Grand total		$609,500

There is also required some $5,000 to make good defects in the heating and ventilating systems of the Roger Wolcott, Bigelow, and Chapman School-houses.

Accepted, and, on motion of Mr. Paine, referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following:

Special assistant to teach French, Roxbury High School.

Ordered, That a special assistant, to teach French only, be allowed in the Roxbury High School, the services of such assistant to date from Sept. 9, 1903, and to be limited by the present school year.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Vogel, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That an additional instructor of commercial branches be allowed for the Dorchester High School, to date from Sept. 29, 1903.

Additional instructor commercial branches, Dorchester High School.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Vogel, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That an additional special teacher of physical training is hereby allowed in the Dorchester High School, to date from Oct. 15, 1903.

Special teacher physical training, Dorchester High School.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the special teacher of household science and arts in the Roxbury, West Roxbury, and Brighton High Schools, be fixed at the rate of one hundred ninety-two dollars ($192) per annum, to date from Sept. 1, 1903; and at the rate of six hundred eighty-four dollars ($684) per annum, to date from Sept. 9, 1903.

Salary special teacher household science and arts, Roxbury, West Roxbury, and Brighton High Schools.

Laid over, under the rules.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That there be paid to Nathan M. Allen the sum of seventeen and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($17.50) for services performed by him as assistant temporary janitor of the Frothingham School-house, from Sept. 15 to 20, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Nathan M. Allen.

Laid over, under the rules.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of No. 122 Salem-street School-house be fixed at the rate of one hundred eighty dollars ($180) per annum, to date from Sept. 9, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of 122 Salem-street School-house.

Laid over, under the rules.

Mr. Brett, for the Committee on Evening Schools, offered the following:

Special assistant, typewriting department, Charlestown Evening High School.

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools are hereby authorized to employ a special assistant in the typewriting department of the Charlestown Evening High School during the term 1903–04.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Laboratory assistant, Roxbury Evening High School.

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools are hereby authorized to employ a laboratory assistant in the Roxbury Evening High School during the term 1903–04.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Proposed introduction of music and drawing in Evening Schools.

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools are hereby authorized to introduce the subjects of music and drawing in such of the Evening Schools as they may deem expedient.

The Chair ruled that the foregoing order should, under the rules, be referred to the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Brett moved a suspension of the rules in order to permit the passage of the order.

The motion to suspend the rules was declared lost.

Mr. Brett doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The motion to suspend the rules was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey and Vogel — 12.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Kenny, Keough, Pierce and Storrow — 11.

Absent or not voting: Mr. Paine.

The order was referred to the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books.

On motion of Mr. Brett, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools are hereby authorized to establish in the Evening High Schools a Business Course, and that a special diploma be awarded by the Board of Supervisors for the successful completion of this course.

Establishment of business course, Evening High Schools.

Mr. Ernst, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, reported that their attention has been called by the Committee on School Houses to the fact that Section 198 of the Regulations, which provides that principals shall immediately notify the Schoolhouse Custodian in writing of any neglect of duty, or any improper conduct on the part of the janitors, does not require that such reports shall be made of delinquencies on the part of assistants to the janitors. Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the following order:

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; rules and regulations governing janitors.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 198. — Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 198. The principals shall see that the Rules and Regulations governing the janitors, their assistants, and other employees, are enforced, and shall notify immediately the Schoolhouse Custodian, in writing, of any neglect of duty or any improper conduct on the part of any janitor or other employee.

The report was accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, to whom was referred — June 9 — a communication from the City Council, through His Honor the Mayor, requesting the School Committee to allow to all children of the public schools a half-holiday on June 18, in order that they might have an opportunity to view the Liberty Bell on Boston Common, and also that arrangements be made

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; half-holiday to school children June 18 to see Liberty Bell, Boston Common. [See p. 221.]

for appropriate exercises to be participated in by school children, reported that no action is now necessary on the part of the Board with reference to this matter.

Accepted.

Subsequently Mr. Harkins moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the foregoing report was declared accepted.

Lost.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; amendment of Regulations; term of Evening Drawing Schools.

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, reported that, by special orders passed by the Board applying to the current and last year's term of the Evening Drawing Schools, the opening of the term has been advanced from the third to the second Monday in October, and the Christmas vacation has been shortened from two weeks to one. These changes have been found desirable by all concerned, and it now seems advisable that the Regulations be amended to conform thereto. Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 326. Strike out the word "third" in the second line, and substitute in place thereof the word: — second. Strike out the words "two weeks" in the third and fourth lines, and substitute in place thereof the word: — week, — so that the section will read as follows:

SECT. 326. There shall be one term of the Evening Drawing Schools, beginning on the second Monday in October and continuing for sixty-six working nights. The week immediately preceding the first school day in January shall be vacation.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, presented the following:

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; admission of pupils to

The Committee on Rules and Regulations report that Section 269 of the Regulations provides that pupils under the age of thirteen years shall not be admitted to any High School without special permission of the Superintendent, but no similar provision exists with regard to the admission of pupils under the age

of eleven years to the Latin Schools, and recommend the adoption of an amendment to Section 265 of the Regulations accordingly. Latin and High Schools.

The same section provides that admission examinations to the Latin Schools shall occur on the third Saturday in June, and Section 267 provides that similar examinations to the High Schools shall take place on the third Saturday and preceding Friday in the same month. These dates have in the past at times conflicted with the dates fixed for the graduating exercises of these schools. To avoid such interference in the future, the Board of Supervisors recommends that the dates of the admission examinations be advanced one week. In this recommendation your committee concur, and recommend the adoption of the amendments specified in the appended order.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 265. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 265. Graduates of the Grammar Schools to whom diplomas have been awarded shall be admitted to the Latin Schools without examination, or to such advanced classes thereof as their qualifications may entitle them to enter. Other applicants for admission shall present certificates of character from the principals of the schools they last attended, and pass an examination equivalent to that required for admission to the seventh grade of the Grammar Schools, on the second Saturday in June, and on the second Wednesday in September, the questions for such examinations to be adopted by the Board of Supervisors. Pupils under the age of eleven years shall not be admitted to any Latin School without special permission of the Superintendent. Candidates for admission to the Latin Schools must present a written statement from parents or guardians of their intention to give such candidates a collegiate education.

SECT. 267. Strike out the word "third" in the third line and substitute in place thereof the word: — second, — so that the section will read as follows:

SECT. 267. The examination of applicants for admission to the High Schools, who are not graduates from the Grammar Schools, shall take place on the second Saturday and preceding Friday in June, and on the second Wednesday and following Thursday in September, and shall be conducted at the same time in each study and with the same questions which shall be adopted by the Board of Supervisors. Applicants shall present certificates of good character from the principals of the schools which they last attended, and shall pass a satisfactory examination, which shall be equivalent to that required for graduation from the Grammar Schools.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Mr. Kenny, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, offered the following:

Additional Kindergarten, Shurtleff District.

Ordered, That an additional kindergarten be established in the Shurtleff District.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, the rules were suspended, and the order declared passed.

Mr. Pierce doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The order passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Storrow, and Vogel — 19.

Nays: Mrs. Duff and Mr. Pierce — 2.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Bolster, Ernst, and Paine.

Report of Committee on Sixth Division; death of Maud A. Gleason.

Mr. Kenny, for the same committee, reported the death of Maud A. Gleason, late assistant, Grammar School, Lawrence District, which occurred Oct. 2, 1903.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Sixth Division; death of Mary E. Powell.

Mr. Kenny, for the same committee, reported the death of Mary E. Powell, late first assistant in the Capen Primary School, Thomas N. Hart District, which occurred Sept. 21, 1903.

Accepted.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on the Third Division, offered the following, and moved a suspension of the rules to permit its passage:

Proposed establishment of Educational Centre, West End.

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings are hereby authorized to establish an Educational Centre in the West End, the expenditure therefor for the balance of the current financial year not to exceed one thousand dollars ($1,000).

On motion of Mr. Brett the yeas and nays were ordered on the motion to suspend the rules.

The Board refused to suspend the rules by the following vote:

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 16. Yeas and nays.

Nays: Messrs. Brett, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, and Keenan — 6.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Merritt and Paine.

The order was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books, offered the following: Report of Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books; revised Evening Elementary School course of study printed.

The Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books present herewith for adoption by the Board a course of study for the Evening Elementary Schools revised and corrected by the Board of Supervisors, and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That two thousand copies of the course of study for the Evening Elementary Schools be printed as a school document.

Adopted, and the order passed.

Mr. Bolster, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 22 — an order that Easy French, A First French Reader, by William B. Snow and Charles P. Lebon, published by D. C. Heath & Co., be authorized for use as a text-book in High and Latin Schools, reported that the adoption of this book is recommended by the Board of Supervisors and approved by your committee. They therefore recommend the passage of the following order: Report of Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books; Snow & Lebon's Easy French. [See p. 354.]

Ordered, That Easy French, A First French Reader, by William B. Snow and Charles P. Lebon, published by D. C. Heath & Co., be authorized for use as a text-book in High and Latin Schools.

The report was accepted and the order passed, 17 votes in the affirmative.

Mr. Bolster, for the same committee, to whom was referred — June 9 — a communication from the City Council, through His Honor the Mayor, requesting the Report of Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books; union label on school books. [See p. 221.]

School Committee to reconsider its action of April 27 adverse to causing the union label to be placed on all school books to be used in the City of Boston, reported that in their opinion it seems too plain for argument that school books are to be bought, primarily for their educational worth, only secondarily for their outward dress, and remotely, if at all, with reference to the views of those who aid in a certain stage of their manufacture.

The action requested means one of two results — surrender of publishers and authors to union demands, or a restricted field of choice. There is no present reason to expect the former — every reason to fear the latter. It therefore seems premature to consider whether this Board could with propriety abandon its attitude of complete neutrality between conflicting industrial factions. Your committee recommend that a copy of this report be transmitted to the City Council, through His Honor the Mayor.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, laid on the table.

Mr. McDonald, for the Committee on Hygiene and Physical Training, offered the following:

Distribution of circulars to school children relative to tuberculosis.

Ordered, That permission is hereby given to the Boston Association for the Relief and Control of Tuberculosis to distribute circulars relative to tuberculosis among the pupils of the High and Grammar Schools with the help of the regular teachers.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on the Third Division, offered the following:

Leave of absence to Lewis H. Dutton.

Ordered, That Lewis H. Dutton, master of the Hancock District, be granted leave of absence, on full pay, from Oct. 15, 1903, until Apr. 15, 1904.

On motion of Mr. Gallivan, referred to the Committee on Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on the Normal School, it was

Ordered, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to carry into effect the recommendations contained in his communication to the School Committee, under date of Sept. 22, relative to the appointment and supervision of training teachers and pupil teachers during the current school year.

Appointment and supervision of training teachers and pupil teachers.

Mr. Bolster, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That training teachers appointed by the Superintendent during the current school year shall receive, in addition to their regular salary, twenty dollars ($20) for each month of actual service; and the compensation of pupil teachers shall be at the rate of one dollar ($1) for each day of actual service.

Salary of training teachers and of pupil teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, offered the following:

Ordered, That the compensation of principals, teachers, matrons and janitors of Educational Centres for the term 1903–04 be established at the following rates:

Compensation of principals, teachers, matrons, and janitors, Educational Centres.

Principals (per evening)	$5 00
Assistants (per evening)	2 00
Teachers of woodworking (per evening)	3 00
Assistant teachers of woodworking (per evening)	2 50
Special teachers of woodworking (per evening)	2 00
Matrons (per evening)	1 50
Janitors (per month) $12 for first room, and $2 for each additional room occupied.	

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Names of Buildings, to whom was recommitted — June 23 — an order relative to the naming of certain schools, and to whom was referred a petition from Michael J. Murray *et als.*, that the new school-house in the George Putnam District be named in honor of Ellis Mendell, reported

Report of Committee on Names of Buildings; naming of school buildings. [See pp. 278, 279.]

that they have again given this subject careful consideration and now recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the schools hereinafter designated be named as follows:

New school on Columbia road, Dorchester, — William E. Russell School, for William E. Russell, Governor of Massachusetts, patriot, statesman.

New school on Norman street, West End, — Washington School, for George Washington, founder of a nation.

New school on Heath street, Roxbury, — Jefferson School, for Thomas Jefferson, philosopher and statesman.

New school at the corner of Horace and Byron streets, East Boston, — Paul Jones School, for Paul Jones, founder of the American Navy.

New school at the corner of Kenwood road and Huntington avenue, — Farragut School, for David Glascoe Farragut, great naval commander.

New school on School street, George Putnam District, — Ellis Mendell School, for Ellis Mendell, pastor, friend of all mankind.

New school on Westville street, Dorchester, — Marshall School, for John Marshall, jurist, wise interpreter of the American Constitution.

Weston-street School, — Asa Gray School, for Asa Gray, botanist, who devoted his life to the advancement of knowledge.

Roxbury-street School, Dudley District, — Miles Standish School, for Miles Standish, colonist and soldier.

Quincy-street School, Phillips Brooks District, — Hull School, for Isaac Hull, commodore United States Navy, commander of the Constitution.

Baker-street School, Robert G. Shaw District, — Henry Vane School, for Henry Vane, Governor of Massachusetts, defender of the liberties of the colonists.

Morton-street School, Roger Wolcott District, — Brewster School, for William Brewster, Pilgrim, one of the company of the Mayflower.

Bartlett-street School, Warren District, — Copley School, for John Singleton Copley, painter.

Accepted, and the order laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Burrill offered the following:

Naming of new school-house in honor of William Blaxton.

Ordered, That the new school-house to be erected in the Eliot District be named the William Blaxton School, in honor of the first settler of Boston.

Referred to the Committee on Names of Buildings.

Mr. Storrow offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books be requested to report to the Board a list of studies to be offered in the Evening Schools and in the Educational Centres.

List of studies for evening schools and Educational Centres.

Referred to the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of so amending the rules and regulations that the Committee on Evening Schools and the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings may be united in a single committee.

Proposed amendment of Rules; uniting of Committees on Evening Schools and Extended Use of School Buildings.

Mr. Keough offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Names of Buildings be directed to report a suitable name for the old East Boston High School, now used for grammar school purposes in the Lyman District.

Naming of old East Boston High School.

Referred to the Committee on Names of Buildings.

Mrs. Duff offered the following:

Ordered, (*a.*) That the Corporation Counsel be asked to define a "female teacher of a public day school" as contained in Section 155 of the Rules and Regulations.

(*b.*) That the Corporation Counsel be asked to give his opinion as to whether the appointment of a "principal or a female teacher of a public day school" (as in Section 155) to a position in an Educational Centre is in violation of Section 155 of the Rules and Regulations.

Request for opinion of Corporation Counsel regarding interpretation of Section 155 of Rules.

Lost.

Mr. Brett offered the following:

Ordered, That the Superintendent be requested until further order of this Board, to modify his recent circular relative to the employment in the evening schools of a "principal or female teacher of a public day school in Boston," so that Section 155 of the Rules and Regu-

Employment of day school teachers in evening schools.

lations shall be held as formerly, to forbid the appointment of principals and women teachers appointed to permanent positions in the day schools and to none others.

Mr. Bolster raised the point of order that a quorum of the Board was not present.

Roll call.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, a roll call was ordered to ascertain the attendance.

The roll was called with the following result:

Present: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Mulvey, and Vogel — 11.

Absent: Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Paine, Pierce, and Storrow — 13.

The Chair declared the point of order well taken and that the Board stood adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, October 27, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Mr. Gallivan.

On motion of Mr. Paine, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Approval of appointments, confirmations and transfers laid over.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments, confirmations, and transfers of instructors as presented at the last meeting, with the exception of the principal of the Drawing School for the Study of Design, and of the principal of the Harvard District, which appointments required approval by a *viva voce* vote.

The appointments, confirmations, and transfers, with the foregoing exceptions, were approved.

Appointment of Principal of Drawing School for Study of Design.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointment of Vesper L. George as principal of the Drawing School for the Study of Design, to date from Oct. 5, 1903.

The appointment was approved by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, and Vogel — 19.

Nays: None.

Absent or not voting: Mr. Brett, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Gallivan, Keenan, and Storrow.

Appointment of Principal of Harvard District. [See p. 371.]

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointment of Henry C. Parker as master of the Harvard District, to date from Nov. 1, 1903.

On motion of Mr. Casey, action on the aforesaid appointment was postponed. (See p. 425.)

The following orders successively took their second readings and passed:

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

Amendment of Sect. 198 of Regulations; rules and regulations governing janitors. [See p. 383.]

SECT. 198. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 198. The principals shall see that the Rules and Regulations governing the janitors, their assistants, and other employees, are enforced, and shall notify immediately the Schoolhouse Custodian, in writing, of any neglect of duty or any improper conduct on the part of any janitor or other employee.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

Amendment of Sect. 326 of Regulations; term of Evening Drawing Schools. [See p. 384.]

SECT. 326. Strike out the word "third" in the second line, and substitute in place thereof the word: — second. Strike out the words "two weeks" in the third and fourth lines, and substitute in place thereof the word: — week, — so that the section will read as follows:

SECT. 326. There shall be one term of the Evening Drawing Schools, beginning on the second Monday in October and continuing for sixty-six working nights. The week immediately preceding the first school day in January shall be vacation.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

Amendment of Sects. 265 and 267 of Regulations; admission of pupils to Latin and High Schools. [See p. 385.]

SECT. 265. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 265. Graduates of the Grammar Schools to whom diplomas have been awarded shall be admitted to the Latin Schools without examination, or to such advanced classes thereof as their qualifications may entitle them to enter. Other applicants for admission shall present certificates of character from the principals of the schools they last attended, and pass an examination equivalent to that required for admission to the seventh grade of the Grammar Schools, on the second Saturday in June, and on the second Wednesday in September, the questions for such examinations to be adopted by the Board of Supervisors. Pupils under the age of eleven years shall not be admitted to any Latin School without special permission of the Superintendent. Candidates for admission to the Latin Schools must present a written statement from parents or guardians of their intention to give such candidates a collegiate education.

SECT. 267. Strike out the word "third" in the third line, and

substitute in place thereof the word: — second, — so that the section will read as follows:

SECT. 267. The examination of applicants for admission to the High Schools, who are not graduates from the Grammar Schools, shall take place on the second Saturday and preceding Friday in June, and on the second Wednesday and following Thursday in September, and shall be conducted at the same time in each study and with the same questions which shall be adopted by the Board of Supervisors. Applicants shall present certificates of good character from the principals of the schools which they last attended, and shall pass a satisfactory examination, which shall be equivalent to that required for graduation from the Grammar Schools.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

Ordered, That the expenditure of an amount not exceeding forty dollars ($40) for additional temporary clerical assistance for the Schoolhouse Custodian is hereby authorized.

Expenditure for additional clerical assistance for Schoolhouse Custodian. [See p. 375.]

Ordered, That the salary of the special teacher of household science and arts in the Roxbury, West Roxbury, and Brighton High Schools, be fixed at the rate of one hundred ninety two dollars ($192) per annum, to date from Sept. 1, 1903; and at the rate of six hundred eighty-four dollars ($684) per annum, to date from Sept. 9, 1903.

Salary of special teacher, household science and arts, Roxbury, West Roxbury, and Brighton High Schools. [See p. 381.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Nathan M. Allen the sum of seventeen and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($17.50) for services performed by him as assistant temporary janitor of the Frothingham School-house, from Sept. 15 to 20, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Nathan M. Allen. [See p. 381.]

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of No. 122 Salem-street School-house be fixed at the rate of one hundred eighty dollars ($180) per annum, to date from Sept. 9, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of 122 Salem-street School-house. [See p. 381.]

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Ordered, That the schools hereinafter designated be named as follows:

Naming of school buildings. [See p. 390.]

New school on Columbia road, Dorchester, — William E. Russell School, for William E. Russell, Governor of Massachusetts, patriot, statesman.

New school on Norman street, West End, — Washington School, for George Washington, founder of a nation.

New school on Heath street, Roxbury, — Jefferson School, for Thomas Jefferson, philosopher and statesman.

New school at the corner of Horace and Byron streets, East Boston, — Paul Jones School, for Paul Jones, founder of the American Navy.

New school at the corner of Kenwood road and Huntington avenue, — Farragut School, for David Glascoe Farragut, great naval commander.

New school on School street, George Putnam District, — Ellis Mendell School, for Ellis Mendell, pastor, friend of all mankind.

New school on Westville street, Dorchester, — Marshall School, for John Marshall, jurist, wise interpreter of the American Constitution.

Weston-street School, — Asa Gray School, for Asa Gray, botanist, who devoted his life to the advancement of knowledge.

Roxbury-street School, Dudley District, — Miles Standish School, for Miles Standish, colonist and soldier.

Quincy-street School, Phillips Brooks District, — Hull School, for Isaac Hull, commodore United States Navy, commander of the Constitution.

Baker-street School, Robert G. Shaw District, — Henry Vane School, for Henry Vane, Governor of Massachusetts, defender of the liberties of the colonists.

Morton-street School, Roger Wolcott District, — Brewster School, for William Brewster, Pilgrim, one of the company of the Mayflower.

Bartlett-street School, Warren District, — Copley School, for John Singleton Copley, painter.

Passed, 19 members voting in the affirmative.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Christopher Gibson District. — Mary A. Daly, assistant, Kindergarten, Oct. 1, 1903.

Frothingham District. — Margaret V. Meade, assistant, Kindergarten, Oct. 1, 1903.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Martha G. Breckenridge, assistant, Kindergarten, Sept. 9, 1903.

Warren District. — Alice V. Tuttle, assistant, Kindergarten, Oct 1, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments and confirmations, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Agassiz District. — Mary A. O'Neil, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Carolyn B. Shattuck, Boston, Kindergarten, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Bigelow District. — Henrietta L. Stumpf, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 13, 1903.

Bowditch District. — Lillie M. Redfern, Boston, Primary School, from Oct. 6, 1903.

Chapman District. — Beatrice E. Strong, Boston, Primary School, from Oct. 8, 1903.

Christopher Gibson District. — Blanche Burdick, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 8, 1903.

Comins District. — Thomas J. Sheahan, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 21, 1903; Mary M. Oswald, Boston, Kindergarten, from Oct. 21, 1903.

Dillaway District. — Amy H. Lothrop, Boston, Primary School, from Oct. 19, 1903.

Dudley District. — Mary M. Phelan, Boston, Primary School, from Oct. 12, 1903.

Franklin District. — Margaret C. Donovan, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 16, 1903; Mary Kelly, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 22, 1903.

Hyde District. — Ida M. Gilcrease, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 21, 1903.

John A. Andrew District. — Florence J. Preston, Everett, Grammar School, from Oct. 26, 1903.

Lewis District. — Katharine V. McBreen, Primary School, from Oct. 20, 1903.

Longfellow District. — Anna H. O'Connell, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 22, 1903.

Lowell District. — Margaret L. Toole, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 20, 1903; Edith E. Cox, Boston, Primary School, from Oct. 26, 1903.

Mary Hemenway District. — Jessie L. Nolte, Boston, Grammar School, from Sept. 14, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Ellen L. Coughlan, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 9 to Oct. 2, 1903, inclusive.

Prince District. — Gertrude E. Mayo, Boston, Angela M. Pearce, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 19, 1903; Fannie W. Weeks, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 12, 1903.

Roger Wolcott District. — Alicia G. Frawley, Weymouth, Grammar School, from Nov. 2, 1903; Violet C. Coates, Boston, Primary School, from Oct. 8, 1903.

Wells District. — Rosella V. Sweeney, Dedham, Primary School, from Oct. 26, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Bowditch District. — Mabel J. Neil, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 15, 1903.

Frothingham District. — Mary E. Cochran, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Mary E. Davin, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 19, to Oct. 22, 1903, inclusive.

Sherwin District. — Henrietta L. Wallburg, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 19, 1903.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Mechanic Arts High School. — Alfred Coester, Boston, junior master, from Nov. 9, 1903; Ivory F. Frisbee, Boston, junior master, from Nov. 16, 1903; Mary A. Harriman, Framingham, instructor, from Nov. 9, 1903; Josephine M. Curry, Boston, assistant instructor, from Nov. 16, 1903.

Adams District.—Catherine P. Bishop, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 9, 1903.

Phillips District. — Alice McGillicuddy, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 9, 1903.

Quincy District. — Helena M. Follen, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 16, 1903.

Winthrop District. — Annie E. McWilliams, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Nov. 18, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

ON PROBATION.

Dorchester High School. — Maud A. Hartwell, Boston, Martha P. Luther, Boston, assistants, from Nov. 2, 1903; Catharine M. McGinley, Boston, assistant, from Oct. 21, 1903. On probation.

Girls' High School. — Gertrude P. Davis, Boston, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Brimmer District. — Frances A. Curtis, Cambridge, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Sept. 9, 1903.

Chapman District. — Margaret M. A. Kennedy, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 14, 1903.

Christopher Gibson District. — Ella G. Jenkins, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Comins District. — Elizabeth T. Lavey, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Oct. 16, 1903.

Emerson District.— Lucy A. O'Brien, Arlington, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Gaston District. — Elizabeth A. Freeto, Marblehead, Myrtle M. C. Linkletter, Boston, assistants, Primary School, second year, from Nov. 2, 1903.

George Putnam District. — Sarah E. French, Boston. assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Hyde District. — Augusta M. Wood, Boston, assistant, Primary School, third year, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Marcella F. Dowd, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Oct. 23, 1903; Florence R. Faxon, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Oct. 16, 1903.

Lincoln District. — K. Gertrude Marden, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Nov. 2, 1903; Ellen V. Courtney, Boston, first assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Phillips District. — Johanna J. O'Neill, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Oct. 16, 1903; Amy A. Snelling, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 16, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Clara E. Glover, Boston, Blanche V. Smith, Boston, assistants, Grammar School, from Nov. 9, 1903; Genevra M. Pennoyer, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Oct. 19, 1903.

Rice Training School. — Bertram C. Richardson, Auburn, Me., sub-master, from Nov. 12, 1903.

Shurtleff District. — Ida G. Thurston, Boston, principal, Kindergarten, from Oct. 27, 1903.

Thomas N. Hart District. — Jennie P. Grose, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Sept. 9, 1903.

William E. Russell District. — Minnie E. G. Price, Boston, first assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 26, 1903.

Instructor of Sewing. — Sarah A. Horan, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Subsequently, the Superintendent presented the following appointments:

ON PROBATION.

Dorchester High School. — Mary F. Stratton, Boston, special teacher of physical training, from Oct. 15, 1903; Nina E. Titus, Boston, instructor of commercial branches, from Nov. 11, 1903. On probation.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Normal School. — Colin A. Scott, master. Confirmations.

Agassiz District. — Jessie A. Shaw, assistant, Grammar School; Olivia B. Hazelton, assistant, Kindergarten.

Bennett District. — Winifred T. Leonard, assistant, Kindergarten.

Bowdoin District. — Sarah E. Kilmer, principal, Kindergarten.

Hancock District. — Teresa L. Carlin, assistant, Primary School; Julia E. Keith, assistant, Kindergarten.

Lewis District. — Helen L. Brown, assistant, Kindergarten.

Lincoln District.— Edith M. Allen, assistant, Primary School.

Longfellow District. — Lila C. Fisher, Ethel L. Sawyer, assistants, Primary School.

Prince District. — Hattie M. Simpson, assistant, Grammar School.

Special Class. — Blanche B. Cochran, teacher.

Assistant to the Director of Physical Training. — Nathaniel J. Young.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Instructors, Evening Schools.

The following appointments of instructors in the Evening High, Evening Elementary, and Evening Drawing Schools for the term 1903–04, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

Central High School. — Assistants, Francis M. Carroll, Boston, Robert R. Hollister, Boston, Robert G. Leavitt, Stoughton, William F. Rice, Lynn, from Oct. 5, 1903; Alfred Coester, Boston, from Oct. 15, 1903; (Phonography) James B. Machugh, Boston, from Oct. 22, 1903; (Penmanship) Fielding Schofield, Boston, from Oct. 13, 1903.

Charlestown High School. — Assistants, (Physiology) Laura A. C. Hughes, Boston, from Oct. 6, 1903; (Phonography) David F. S. Clark, Boston, from Oct. 5, 1903; (Commercial Branches) George G. Allen, Malden, from Oct. 12, 1903.

East Boston High School. — Assistants, Henry W. B. Arnold, Boston, from Oct. 5, 1903; Hugh D. McLellan, Boston, from Oct. 16, 1903; (Bookkeeping and Penmanship) Michael H. Sullivan, Boston, from Sept. 30, 1903.

Bowdoin School. — Assistants, Christine Bangs, Boston, from Oct. 6, 1903; Mary A. Mahoney, Boston, from Oct. 13, 1903; Anna J. Harmon, Boston, from Oct. 16, 1903.

Eliot School. — Assistants, Myrtle M. C. Linkletter, Boston, from Oct. 5, 1903; Julia A. Mahan, Natick, from Oct. 13, 1903; Katherine C. Nickels, Somerville, from Oct. 19, 1903; Mabel A. Collins, Boston, Ethelyn C. Hallstrom, Boston, from Oct. 26, 1903.

Franklin School. — Assistant, Azniv Beshgeturian, Boston, from Oct. 26, 1903.

Hancock School. — Assistants, Annie C. Lamb, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903; Julia E. Donovan, Hyde Park, from Oct. 19, 1903; Grace A. T. Hefron, Boston, Minnie A. Kennedy, Boston, from Oct. 20, 1903.

Lincoln School. — Assistant, Lucy A. Mackenzie, Boston, from Oct. 16, 1903.

Lyman School. — Assistants, Beatrice E. Strong, Boston, from Sept. 29, 1903; Alice D. Murley, Boston, from Sept. 30, 1903.

Moon-street School. — Assistants, Theresa V. Arato, Boston, Myrtle M. C. Linkletter, Boston, from Oct. 13, 1903; Katherine C. Nickels, Somerville, from Oct. 22, 1903.

Washington Allston School. — Assistants, Mabel J. Neil, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903; Carrie M. Ring, Boston, from Oct. 12, 1903; Anna E. Haley, Hyde Park, from Oct. 13, 1903.

Wells School. — Assistants, Isabel J. Ross, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903; Gertrude O. Oppenheim, Boston, from Oct. 19, 1903; Bessie E. Kennedy, Boston, from Oct. 21, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

Assistant, Charles E. Heil, Boston, from Oct. 19, 1903. Instructor, Evening Drawing School.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

Bowdoin District. — Clara J. Raynolds, assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 7, 1903, until Feb. 7, 1904; Ethel G. Ross, Boston, substitute.

Lyman District. — Alice D. Murley, Boston, substitute for Annie M. Wilcox, first assistant, Primary School, granted leave of absence.

Shurtleff District. — Mary J. Cullen, Boston, substitute for Alice C. Ryan, assistant, Primary School, granted leave of absence.

Warren District. — Ellen A. Pratt, assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 12, 1903, until Feb. 12, 1904; Sara F. Hooper, Boston, substitute.

Washington Allston District. — Margaret C. Hunt, assistant, Grammar School, from Nov. 1, 1903, until Jan. 1, 1904.

William E. Russell District. — Gertrude E. Merrill, Boston, substitute for May C. McDonough, assistant, Primary School, granted leave of absence.

The following appointments were accompanied by written statements by the Superintendent of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto:

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Christine Bangs, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 16, 1903.

Rules suspended.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointment, and the appointment placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Roxbury High School. — Mary T. Loughlin, Boston, assistant, from Nov. 16, 1903.

Emerson District. — Helen M. Horton, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Nov. 9, 1903.

Harvard District. — Mary C. Leonard, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 9, 1903.

Rules suspended.

The rules were suspended to permit the foregoing appointments, and the appointments laid over, under the rule.

ON PROBATION.

Mary Hemenway District. — Jessie L. Nolte, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Sept. 14, 1903. On probation.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointment, and the appointment laid over, under the rule. Rules suspended.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Franklin School. — Teacher of Sewing, Esther C. Povah, Boston, from Oct. 15, 1903. Instructors, Evening Schools.

Washington Allston School. — First assistant, Hattie C. Kennedy, Boston, from Oct. 16, 1903; assistant in charge of post-graduate course of study, Emma F. Simmons, Boston, from Oct. 5, 1903.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointments, and the appointments laid over, under the rule. Rules suspended.

The following appointments, made by the Superintendent, in pursuance of special orders passed by the Board, were presented for approval.

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Dorchester High School. — Leon C. Colman, Sanbornville, N. H., instructor of commercial branches, from Sept. 29, 1903. Temporary teacher.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Lyman District. — Charles E. Quirk, Boston, submaster, from Nov. 23, 1903. Temporary teacher.

Laid over, under the rule.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Roxbury High School. — Helen J. McShane, teacher of French, from Sept. 9, 1903. Special assistant.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Instructors, Evening Schools.

Bowdoin School. — Teacher of Sewing, Mary E. Jones, Brookline, from Oct. 12, 1903.

Mather School. — Teacher of Sewing, Annie C. Webber, Boston, from Oct. 8, 1903.

Norcross School. — Teacher of Cookery, Minnie E. Rochford, Wellesley, from Oct. 20, 1903.

Washington Allston School. — Teacher of Sewing, Susan True, Cambridge, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRES.

Principal of an Educational Centre.

Subsequently, the following appointment of a principal of an Educational Centre for the term 1903–04 made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, and in pursuance of an order previously passed by the Board, was presented for approval:

West End Educational Centre. — Edward P. Shute, Boston, principal.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, the rules were suspended and the appointment approved.

Educational Centres.

The appointments of the candidates named below as teachers in Educational Centres for the season of 1903–1904, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, and orders passed by the Board, were presented for approval:

Bigelow Educational Centre. — Charlotte E. Abramson, Everett, Richard Benson, Boston, Minnie L. Butland, Boston, Sara H. Colman, Boston, Annie E. Flanagan, Dedham, Effie Harcourt, Boston, Ruth E. Hubbard, Boston, Margaret A. Leahy, Boston, Susan H. Lynch, Boston, Annie C. MacDonald, Boston, Katherine T. O'Sullivan, Dedham, Clark K. Peterson, Boston, Rosella V. Sweeney, Dedham, Susan True, Cambridge,

Annie M. Trundy, Boston, Julia C. Walker, Boston, Edward E. Williamson, Boston.

East Boston Educational Centre. — Clara A. Brown, Boston, Frank Carter, Woburn, Mary L. Dermody, Boston, William A. England, Winthrop, Florence K. Glover, Boston, Agnes J. Kenney, Boston, Anna J. Lowe, Boston, Annie F. Marlow, Boston, Charles H. D. Murphy, Boston, Frederick W. Swan, Boston, Mary E. Towne, Boston, Ethel M. Willett, Needham, Nathaniel J. Young, Boston.

Hancock Educational Centre. — Mary Cunningham, Newton, Kate Farlin, Hyde Park, Hattie L. Gates, Boston, Fanny L. Rogers, Boston.

Lowell Educational Centre. — Katherine F. Hartnett, Boston, Katharine R. McGail, Boston, Clark K. Peterson, Boston.

Laid over, under the rule.

PERMANENT SUBSTITUTES.

Permanent substitutes.

The following list of substitutes to serve in the place of absent assistants in the Grammar and Primary Schools, appointed by the Superintendent, in compliance with the terms of Section 146 of the Regulations, was presented for the approval of the Board:

Theresa V. Arato, Boston, Idabel F. Butler, Boston, Stella M. Coates, Boston, Sara H. Colman, Boston, Alice F. Connell, Boston, M. Louise Costello, Boston, Jennie A. Green, Boston, Catherine E. Halligan, Boston, Grace M. Hart, Boston, F. Maud MacLachlan, Boston, Dora E. McCarty, Boston, Mary G. McDermott, Boston, Katherine A. McMurray, Boston, Anna F. Moran, Boston, Alice D. Murley, Boston, Theresa C. Murray, Boston, Alice Neilan, Boston, Elizabeth R. Phelan, Boston, Catherine G. Sheahan, Boston, Gertrude M. Sias, Boston, Ethel F. Smith, Boston, Julia C. Walker, Boston, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Approved.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Minors' licenses.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of fifty-nine minors to be licensed as newsboys, of three to be licensed as bootblacks, and of one to be licensed as a pedler of small wares.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

Report of Committee on Accounts; nomination of Adeline L. Sylvester. [See p. 357.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — the nomination on probation of Adeline L. Sylvester, assistant principal of the Girls' High School, to date from Sept. 9, 1903, report that they have given the matter due consideration, and recommend that the nomination be approved.

Accepted, and the appointment approved.

Report of Committee on Accounts; additional assistants, physical training and typewriting departments, Dorchester High School. [See p. 381.]

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — two orders relating to the employment of additional assistants in the physical training and typewriting departments of the Dorchester High School, reported that after considering the matter, and being of the opinion that the number of pupils in that school is larger in proportion to the teaching force than in any other of our high schools, they recommend the passage of the following order.

Ordered, That an instructor of commercial branches, to date from Sept. 29, 1903, and an additional special teacher of physical training, to date from Oct. 15, 1903, be allowed in the Dorchester High School.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Accounts; Educational Centre, West End. [See pp. 386, 387.]

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — an order that an Educational Centre be established in the West End at an expense not to exceed $1,000 for the balance of the current financial year, reported that the matter has received their attention, and they recommend the passage of the following order.

Ordered, That the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings are hereby authorized to establish an Educational Centre in the West End, the expenditure therefor for the balance of the current financial year, not to exceed one thousand dollars ($1,000).

Miss Dierkes moved that the order be amended by substituting the words: — Evening High School in Dorchester — for the words "Educational Centre in the West End."

The motion to amend was lost.

Mr. Brett offered the following as a substitute for the order reported by the Committee on Accounts:

Ordered, That the sum of $1,000 be appropriated for an Evening High School in Dorchester. Appropriation for Evening High School, Dorchester.

On motion of the same member, the yeas and nays were ordered on his motion to substitute.

Mr. Brett's motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Brett, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, and Vogel — 7. Yeas and nays.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Paine, and Pierce — 14.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, and Storrow.

The order offered by the Committee on Accounts was declared passed.

Mr. Casey doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The order passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, and Pierce — 16. Yeas and nays.

Nays: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, and Mr. Vogel — 5.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Bolster, Gallivan, and Storrow.

Subsequently, Mr. Burrill moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the foregoing order was declared passed, hoping the same would not prevail.

Lost.

Report of Committee on Accounts; leave of absence to Lewis H. Dutton. [See p. 388.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — an order that Lewis H. Dutton, master of the Hancock District, be granted leave of absence for six months, on full pay, reported that they have considered the matter and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That Lewis H. Dutton, master of the Hancock District, be granted leave of absence on full pay from Oct. 15, 1903, until Apr. 15, 1904.

The report was accepted.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Accounts; special assistant, typewriting department, Charlestown Evening High School. [See p. 382.]

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — an order authorizing the Committee on Evening Schools to employ a special assistant in the typewriting department of the Charlestown Evening High School, reported that after consideration they deem such assistance necessary, and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools be authorized to employ, subject to Civil Service rules, such additional assistance in the typewriting department of the Charlestown Evening High School as may be needed during the term 1903–04 at an expense not exceeding two dollars ($2) per evening.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Accounts; laboratory assistant, Roxbury Evening High Schools, [See p. 382.]

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — an order authorizing the Committee on Evening Schools to employ a laboratory assistant in the Roxbury Evening High School, reported that after consideration they recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools are hereby authorized to employ a laboratory assistant in the Roxbury Evening High School during the term 1903–04.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, offered the following:

Report of Committee on Accounts; trustees of Teachers' Retirement Fund.

The Committee on Accounts, in accordance with the Rules hereby present the following names as candidates for Trustees of the Teachers' Retirement Fund, for the term of two years: Charles L. Burrill, James A. McDonald.

The report was accepted.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the rules were suspended, and the Board proceeded to the election of Trustees of the Teachers' Retirement Fund.

The members, as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows:

For Charles L. Burrill: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, and Vogel — 21.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Burrill, Gallivan, and Storrow.

For James A. McDonald: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, and Vogel — 21.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gallivan, McDonald, and Storrow.

Charles L. Burrill and James A. McDonald were accordingly declared elected Trustees of the Teachers' Retirement Fund for the term of two years.

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, presented the following:

Report of Committee on Accounts; transfer of appropriations.

The Committee on Accounts beg leave to submit the following report:

Under the provisions of Chapter 475 of the Acts of 1901, the School Committee are required to appropriate money to pay the salaries of the three Commissioners of the Schoolhouse Department, and so much of the necessary expenses of said department as are not provided for by Section 4 of that Act, but there is a further provision that the Commissioners shall not incur any expense for any purpose beyond the amount authorized under said Section 4 in addition to the sums which may be appropriated by the School Committee for such purpose.

In the annual appropriation bill the School Committee appropriated for salaries and necessary expenses of Schoolhouse Commissioners $20,000. The Commissioners now come to us and say that their work will be seriously crippled unless they are granted a further appropriation of $5,000. The Committee on Accounts have given very careful consideration to this request, and are satisfied that it is a reasonable one, and solely to pay their salaries and for such necessary expenses of said department as are not provided for by Section 4 of said Act. In addition, the Commissioners report that the sum of $2,000 additional to the $50,000 appropriated will be needed to pay the rent of hired accommodations.

The Committee on Accounts therefore recommend the adoption of the following orders:

Ordered, That the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000) be transferred from the amount appropriated under the item, "Supplies and Incidentals" — School Committee, to the item, "Salaries and necessary expenses Schoolhouse Commission — Schoolhouse Department."

Ordered, That the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) be transferred from the amount appropriated under the head of "Supplies and Incidentals" — School Committee, to the item, "Rents of hired school accommodations — Schoolhouse Department."

Accepted, and the orders laid over, under the rule.

Rules suspended.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Pierce, the rules were suspended, and both of the foregoing orders were passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs.

Ellis, Ernst, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce and Vogel — 20.

Nay: Mr. Harkins — 1.

Absent or not voting: Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan and Storrow.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; proposed amendment of Section 281 of Regulations.

Mr. Ernst, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, reported that at the last meeting they recommended the adoption of an amendment to the Regulations providing that the June admission examinations to the Latin and High Schools be held one week earlier than has been the custom in the past. It is desirable that a similar change should be made in connection with the Normal School, and your committee therefore recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 281. — Strike out the word "third" in the eighth line, and substitute in place thereof the word: — second — so that the section will read as follows:

SECT. 281. — Candidates for admission must be at least eighteen years of age, unless an exception is made by the Board of Supervisors upon good cause shown, and have good health and a good moral character. They must have completed a four years' course of study in a Boston High School, or an equivalent course of study with diploma. As an additional prerequisite for admission a special examination shall be held on the second Saturday and preceding Friday of June in each year, by the Board of Supervisors, for graduates of the Boston High Schools, and for other candidates a special examination of as high degree shall be held by the Board of Supervisors on the second Wednesday and following Thursday in September. Graduates of a university or college, or of a State Normal School, approved by the Board of Supervisors, may be admitted to the school without examination, and, if they prove to be qualified, may be admitted to the senior class, and may take the Kindergarten course, or any of the other optional courses in one year. Pupils shall be admitted to this school for the regular and special courses only at the beginning of a school year. All pupils shall be put on probation, and as soon as, in the opinion of the Board of Supervisors, they prove unsuitable for this school, shall be discharged.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; amendment of Sect. 127 of Regulations. [See pp. 346, 347.]

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 22 — an order that the Regulations be amended to provide that persons holding certificates of qualification for the position of Grammar School master shall also be eligible for appointment as head-master of an Evening High School, reported that they have referred the matter to the Board of Supervisors, who have reported favorably thereon. Your committee therefore recommend that the Regulations be amended as provided in the appended order:

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 127. Strike out the fourth paragraph of said section and substitute in place thereof the following:

Grammar School, Master's: To masters of Grammar Schools and principals of Evening High and Elementary Schools. A Grammar School Class A certificate issued prior to Nov. 29, 1901, shall be held as equivalent to the Grammar School Master's certificate.

Accepted.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the rules were suspended, the order read twice, and passed.

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, presented the following:

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; amendment of Sect. 217 of Regulations.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations report that the Superintendent has called their attention to Sect. 217 of the Regulations, which provides that any class, grade or school, may be dismissed once every three months in order to afford teachers an opportunity to visit other schools to observe their methods of discipline and instruction. It is suggested by the Superintendent that instead of dismissing the pupils upon such occasions it would be far better to provide a substitute to take the place of the absent teacher, and that the small additional expense thereby involved is of little moment as

against depriving an entire class or school of a portion of the instruction which they are entitled to receive. Your committee concur in this suggestion, and accordingly recommend the adoption of an amendment to the aforesaid section as specified in the appended order.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 217. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 217. A teacher may, with the consent of the principal of the school, be absent without loss of pay one day every three months to visit other schools for the purpose of observing methods of discipline and instruction. Substitutes may be appointed for teachers so absent, and shall be paid by the city as provided in Sect. 178. Notices of all visits made by teachers, as herein provided, giving the names of the teachers, the names of their respective substitutes, and the names of the schools and teachers visited, shall be filed with the Superintendent by the principals of schools immediately after the visits are made.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Payment to Alice Burke.

Ordered, That there be paid to Alice Burke the sum of five and $\frac{60}{100}$ dollars ($5.60) for services as assistant to the substitute janitor of the Adams School-house, from Sept. 29 to Oct. 10, 1903, inclusive, and from Oct. 12 to Oct. 17, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Margaret Guild.

Ordered, That there be paid to Margaret Guild the sum of five and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($5.50) for services as assistant to the substitute janitor of the Adams School-house, from Sept. 29 to Oct. 10, 1903, inclusive, and from Oct. 13 to Oct. 17, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of janitor and of assistant janitor, Sherwin School-house. [See pp. 374, 375.]

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — orders relating to the salary of the janitor and of the assistant janitor of the Sherwin School-house, reported that after due consideration they are of the opinion that the compensation recommended for these employees by the Committee on School Houses should be adopted by the Board. Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the following orders:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Sherwin School-house be established at the rate of nine hundred sixty dollars ($960) per annum for one year, from Aug. 16, 1903, and thereafter and until otherwise ordered at the rate of thirteen hundred twenty dollars ($1,320) per annum.

Ordered, That the salary of the assistant janitor of the Sherwin School-house be established at the rate of three hundred sixty dollars ($360) per annum to date from Aug. 1, 1903, and to terminate July 31, 1904.

Accepted, and the orders laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of janitor, Harvest and Boston streets School-house. [See p. 358.]

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was recommitted — Oct. 13 — an order establishing the salary of the janitor of the Harvest and Boston-streets School-house at the rate of $300 per annum, reported that they have again considered this matter, and while in their opinion the salary originally reported would be a reasonable one if the building were to be occupied permanently and the janitor experience the benefit of the usual vacations, they are willing to recommend a somewhat larger compensation in view of the temporary nature of the employment and the considerable amount of work devolving upon the janitor in preparing the building for school occupancy and afterwards restoring it to its former condition. For these reasons your committee recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Harvest and Boston-streets School-house be fixed at the

rate of forty dollars ($40) per month, to date from Sept. 4, 1903.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — an order establishing the compensation of principals, teachers, matrons and janitors of Educational Centres for the term 1903–04, reported that they have favorably considered the same and recommend the passage of the appended order, which omits, however, the compensation for janitors, which your committee have included in a general order embracing Evening Schools as well.

Report of Committee on Salaries; compensation of principals, teachers, matrons and janitors, Educational Centres. [See p. 389.]

Ordered, That the compensation of principals, teachers, and matrons of Educational Centres for the term 1903–04 be established at the following rates:

Principals (per evening)	$5.00
Assistants (per evening)	2.00
Teachers of woodworking (per evening) . .	3.00
Assistant teachers of woodworking (per evening),	2.50
Special teachers of woodworking (per evening) .	2.00
Matrons (per evening)	1.50

Accepted, and the order laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — an order fixing the salaries of training teachers and of pupil teachers, reported that they have favorably considered the matter and recommend the passage of the order referred as follows:

Report of Committee on Salaries; salaries of training teachers and of pupil teachers. [See p. 389.]

Ordered, That training teachers appointed by the Superintendent during the current school year shall receive, in addition to their regular salary, twenty dollars ($20) for each month of actual service; and the compensation of pupil teachers shall be at the rate of one dollar ($1) for each day of actual service.

Accepted, and the order laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salary of head master, Roxbury Evening High School.

Ordered, That the salary of the head-master of the Roxbury Evening High School be fixed at the rate of five dollars ($5) for each evening of actual service for the term 1903–04.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Compensation of janitors of Evening Schools and Educational Centres.

Ordered, That the compensation of janitors in charge of buildings occupied by Evening Schools or Educational Centres (excepting the English High School-house) for the term 1903–04 and until otherwise ordered, shall be at the rate of twenty dollars ($20) per month. In addition thereto they shall receive one and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($1.50) per month for each room occupied,—halls to be reckoned as equivalent to three class rooms. For those buildings in which the heating and ventilating apparatus includes an engine, the janitor shall be paid at the rate of twelve dollars ($12) per month in addition to the foregoing amounts. These rates are based upon five sessions each week, and for a less number of sessions, a proportionate deduction shall be made. For buildings in which only the manual training or cookery room is occupied for evening school purposes, the janitor shall be paid at the rate of one dollar ($1) for each evening of actual service.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salary, special assistant to teach French, Roxbury High School.

Ordered, That the salary of the special assistant to teach French only in the Roxbury High School, be fixed at the rate of two and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($2.50) for each day of actual service, to date from Sept. 9, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the assistant principal of the Girls' High School be fixed at the following rate, to date from Sept. 9, 1903: first year, sixteen hundred twenty dollars ($1,620); annual increase, seventy-two dollars ($72); maximum, eighteen hundred thirty-six dollars ($1,836).

Salary of assistant principal, Girls' High School.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to employ such expert medical assistance as he may find necessary in examining children for special classes, and to incur an expense therefor to an amount not exceeding five hundred dollars ($500) during the year ending Aug. 31, 1904.

Expert medical assistance for examination of children for special classes.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Brett, for the Committee on Evening Schools, it was

Ordered, That the appointment of Philipas P. Apostolopoulos as Greek interpreter, and of Joseph DeMarco and Carlo C. Grillo as Italian interpreters, is hereby authorized in the Eliot Evening School.

Greek and Italian interpreters, Eliot Evening School.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools are hereby authorized to introduce the subject of gymnastics into such of the Evening High Schools as are provided with gymnasiums.

Introduction of gymnastics in Evening High Schools.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — an order authorizing the Committee on Evening Schools to introduce the subjects of music and drawing in such of the Evening Schools as they may deem expedient, reported that they are in favor of this proposition pro-

Report of Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books; introduction of music and drawing in Evening Schools. [See p. 382.]

vided the finances of the Board will warrant such extension. Your committee therefore report the following order with the recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Accounts with the request that they report thereon at the next meeting of the Board.

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools are hereby authorized to introduce the subjects of music and drawing in such of the Evening Schools as they may deem expedient.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the order was laid on the table.

Rules suspended.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Brett the order was taken from the table, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

Mr. Bolster, for the same committee, offered the following:

Authorization of text books for High and Latin Schools.

Ordered, That the following-named books be authorized for use as text-books in the High and Latin Schools:

Animal Forms, by David S. Jordan and Harold Heath, published by D. Appleton & Co.

An introduction to Physical Geography, by Grove K. Gilbert and Albert P. Brigham, published by D. Appleton & Co.

Elementary Physical Geography, by William M. Davis, published by Ginn & Co.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Harkins offered the following:

Establishment of kindergarten, William E. Russell District.

Ordered, That, accommodations having been provided, a kindergarten be established in the William E. Russell District.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Harkins offered the following:

Fence to be provided, William E. Russell School-house.

Ordered, That a suitable fence with gates be provided for the front main entrance of the William E. Russell School.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Harkins offered the following:

Ordered, That Sect. 37, paragraph 2, of the Rules, be amended to read as follows:

Proposed amendment of Sect. 37 of Rules.

Shall, subject to the approval of the Board, and after consultation with the principals, appoint, transfer, and discharge the janitors of the several school-houses, — and, subject to the approval of the Board, make such regulations as they deem necessary for their government, the same to be printed and distributed to the principals of the schools and janitors and shall see that the same are enforced.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, it was

Ordered, That the order of May 27, 1902, page 242 of the Minutes, referred to a Joint Committee on Rules and Regulations and Hygiene and Physical Training, be taken from the "Budget" and referred to the present Committee on Hygiene and Physical Training.

Proposed amendment of Sect. 210 of Regulations.

Mr. Keenan offered the following:

Ordered, That the name Educational Centre be dropped from the evening schools so-called, and that they be termed Evening Industrial Schools.

Proposed dropping of name "Educational Centre."

Referred to the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings.

Miss Dierkes offered the following:

Ordered, That the gymnasium in the Dorchester High School be opened Saturdays from 9 o'clock A.M. till 12 o'clock noon.

Dorchester High School gymnasium open Saturdays.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, referred to the Committee on High Schools.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, reported the following death, resignation and transfers:

Report of Committee on School Houses; death, resignation, and transfers of janitors.

JANITORS.

Death.

Way-street School-house. — Margaret A. Brennick, Oct. 23, 1903.

Accepted.

Resignation.

323 Washington-street School-house.—Thomas Kinsley, to date from Oct. 31, 1903.

Accepted.

Transfers.

Eliot School-house and Eliot Evening School.—Patrick M. Connolly, to the same position in the Washington-street School-house (Agassiz District), to date from Nov. 1, 1903.

Washington-street School-house (Agassiz District).—Frank J. Connolly, to the same position in the Eliot School-house and Eliot Evening School to date from Nov. 1, 1903.

Approved.

Mr. Paine offered the following:

Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners to report on expenditures needed for school accommodations.

Ordered, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be respectfully requested to report to this Board what amounts will be needed, first, in addition to the $1,500,000 loan that may be authorized next year, to complete as now planned, the remaining items on the list of Dec. 18, 1901; second, to make such alterations and improvements on existing buildings as they deem necessary; and third, to supply by Sept. 1, 1906, such additional rooms and facilities as will then be required for housing all school children, allowing for annual increases estimated on the average of the last half dozen years.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following:

Manual training room, Robert G. Shaw School, piped for gas.

Ordered, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to pipe for lighting purposes the manual training room in the Robert G. Shaw School.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following:

Tablet for Robert G. Shaw School-house.

Ordered, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to place a tablet upon the Robert G. Shaw

School-house, inscribed with the name of said school-house.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mrs. Duff moved that all official circulars issued by the Schoolhouse Custodian be first submitted to this Board.

Official circulars of Schoolhouse Custodian.

Lost.

Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, offered the following:

Ordered, That an additional sub-master be allowed in the Phillips Brooks District.

Additional sub-master, Phillips Brooks District.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Merritt, for the Committee on Accounts, presented the following statement:

BOSTON, October 27, 1903.

Report of Committee on Accounts; expenditures and appropriations.

The Committee on Accounts present herewith, by items, the following statement, showing the appropriation for the year, and the expenditures (exclusive of repairs and new school-houses), from Jan. 1 to Nov. 1, a period of ten months:

	Appropriation for the Year.	Expenditure, 10 Months.	Balance Unexpended.
Salaries of instructors..	$2,546,000	$2,065,496 92	$480,503 08
Salaries of officers.....	82,581	68,581 33	13,999 67
Salaries of janitors.....	198,000	160,639 06	37,360 94
Fuel and light.....	216,000	202,814 64	13,185 36
Supplies and incidentals,	197,500	144,320 92	53,179 08
Totals.....	$3,240,081	$2,641,852 87	$598,228 13

As compared with last year:

Salaries of instructors increased . . .	$79,060 52
" " janitors " . . .	5,215 73
" " officers " . . .	1,366 18
Fuel and light increased	130,617 46
	$216,259 89
Supplies and incidentals decreased . .	37,481 08
Increase in expense, 10 months . . .	$178,778 81

Placed on file.

Mr. Merritt offered the following:

Afternoon sessions, Gilbert Stuart School.

Ordered, That the afternoon sessions of the Gilbert Stuart School be allowed to begin at 1.45 P.M., and close at 3.45 P.M., from Nov. 1, 1903, until Feb. 1, 1904.

Mr. Merritt moved that the rules be suspended to permit the passage of the order.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, referred to the Superintendent to report thereon.

Reconsideration; abstract of Schoolhouse Commissioners' Report on Normal School site distributed to Board members.

Mr. Casey, having filed with the Secretary the required notice of his intention so to do, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby a motion that an abstract of a report of the Schoolhouse Commissioners on the question of a Normal School site be printed and distributed to the members of the Board was declared passed at the last meeting.

The motion to reconsider passed.

Report of Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books; union label on school books. [See pp. 387, 388.]

On motion of Mr. Bolster, the report of the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books relative to placing the union label upon all school books to be used in the City of Boston (see pp. 387, 388) was taken from the table.

On motion of the same member, the report was accepted, and its recommendation adopted.

Communication from Harrison H. Atwood: bill for plans for new Normal School-house.

A communication was received from Harrison H. Atwood, enclosing a bill for professional services in preparing plans for a new Normal School building.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Communication from residents of West End; Educational Centre, West End.

A communication was received from Max Mitchell transmitting resolutions adopted by residents of the West End in mass meeting assembled in Faneuil Hall Oct. 23, 1903, advocating the establishment of an Educational Centre in the West End.

Placed on file.

A preamble and resolution adopted by the Charlestown Improvement Association, on Oct. 21, 1903, and two petitions, one signed by Charles Bruce *et als.*, and the other by Arthur W. Dolan *et als.*, advocating the appointment of Darius Hadley as master of the Harvard Grammar School, were received.

Resolution and petitions regarding appointment of master of Harvard District.

Placed on file.

At the request of Mr. Ernst, and under Section 14 of the Rules, the Board went into executive session.

The question came on approving the appointment of Henry C. Parker as master of the Harvard District, to date from Nov. 1, 1903. (See pp. 393, 394.)

Appointment of a master.

The appointment was approved by the following vote:

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Paine, Pierce, Storrow, and Vogel — 23.

Yeas and nays

Absent: Mr. Gallivan.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the doors were opened.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, November 10, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past 7 o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Paine and Vogel.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Approval of appointments and confirmations laid over.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments and confirmations of instructors, as presented at the last meeting, with the exception of the appointment, on probation, of Mary F. Stratton, as special teacher of physical training in the Dorchester High School, which appointment required approval by a two-thirds vote.

The appointments and confirmations, with the foregoing exception, were approved.

Approval of appointment of Mary F. Stratton.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the aforesaid appointment of Mary F. Stratton, to date from Oct. 15, 1903.

The appointment was approved by the required two-thirds affirmative vote.

The following orders successively took their second reading, and passed.

Amendment of Section 281 of Regulations; dates of admission examinations to Normal School. [See p.413.]

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT 281. Strike out the word "third" in the eighth line, and substitute in place thereof the word: — second, — so that the section will read as follows:

SECT. 281. Candidates for admission must be at least eighteen years of age, unless an exception is made by the Board of Supervisors upon good cause shown, and have good health and a good moral character. They must have completed a four years' course of study in a Boston High School, or an equivalent course of study with diploma. As an additional prerequisite for admission a special examination shall be held on the second Saturday and preceding Friday of June in each year, by the Board of Supervisors, for graduates of the Boston High Schools, and for other candidates a special examination of as high degree shall be held by the Board of Supervisors on the second Wednesday and following Thursday in September. Graduates of a university or college, or of a State Normal School, approved by the Board of Supervisors, may be admitted to the school without examination, and, if they prove to be qualified, may be admitted to the senior class, and may take the Kindergarten course, or any of the other optional courses in one year. Pupils shall be admitted to this school for the regular and special courses only at the beginning of a school year. All pupils shall be put on probation, and as soon as, in the opinion of the Board of Supervisors, they prove unsuitable for this school, shall be discharged.

Amendment of Sect. 217 of Regulations; teachers to visit other schools for observation purposes. [See p. 415.]

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 217. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:

SECT. 217. A teacher may, with the consent of the principal of the school, be absent without loss of pay one day every three months to visit other schools for the purpose of observing methods of discipline and instruction. Substitutes may be appointed for teachers so absent, and shall be paid by the city as provided in Sect. 178. Notices of all visits made by teachers, as herein provided, giving the names of the teachers, the names of their respective substitutes, and the names of the schools and teachers visited, shall be filed with the Superintendent by the principals of schools immediately after the visits are made.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

Payment to Alice Burke. [See p. 415.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Alice Burke the sum of five and $\frac{60}{100}$ dollars ($5.60) for services as assistant to the substitute janitor of the Adams School-house, from Sept. 29 to Oct. 10, 1903, inclusive, and from Oct. 12 to Oct. 17, 1903, inclusive.

Ordered, That there be paid to Margaret Guild the sum of five and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($5.50) for services as assistant to the substitute janitor of the Adams School-house, from Sept. 29 to Oct. 10, 1903, inclusive, and from Oct. 13 to Oct. 17, 1903, inclusive. Payment to Margaret Guild. [See p. 415.]

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Sherwin School-house be established at the rate of nine hundred sixty dollars ($960) per annum for one year, from Aug. 16, 1903, and thereafter and until otherwise ordered at the rate of thirteen hundred twenty dollars ($1,320) per annum. Salary of janitor of Sherwin School-house. [See p. 416.]

Mr. Mulvey offered the following substitute order:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Sherwin School-house be established at the rate of thirteen hundred twenty dollars ($1,320) per annum.

The motion to substitute was declared lost by a vote of 10 to 10.

Mr. Harkins doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The motion to substitute was lost by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Clark, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, Merritt, and Mulvey — 11. Yeas and nays.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Keough, Pierce, and Storrow — 11.

Absent: Messrs. Paine and Vogel.

The original order was then declared passed.

Mr. Mulvey doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The order passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Kenny, Keough, Pierce, and Storrow — 14. Yeas and nays.

Nays: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Keenan, McDonald, Merritt, and Mulvey — 8.

Absent: Messrs. Paine and Vogel.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Salary of assistant janitor of Sherwin School-house. [See p. 416.]

Ordered, That the salary of the assistant janitor of the Sherwin School-house be established at the rate of three hundred sixty dollars ($360) per annum to date from Aug. 1, 1903, and to terminate July 31, 1904.

Mr. Mulvey moved that the order be recommitted to the Committee on Salaries.

The motion was declared passed.

Mr. Ernst doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

Mr. Mulvey's motion to recommit was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, and Storrow — 11.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Ellis, Ernst, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, and Pierce — 11.

Absent: Messrs. Paine and Vogel.

The order was then declared passed.

Mr. Gallivan doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The order passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Pierce, and Storrow — 17.

Nays: Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan and Mulvey — 5.

Absent: Messrs. Paine and Vogel.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following:

Leave of absence to Joseph G. Scott.

Ordered, That Joseph G. Scott, assistant janitor of the Sherwin School, be granted leave of absence until

Aug. 1, 1904, at a salary of three hundred sixty dollars ($360) per annum, upon receipt of his resignation to take effect on the above-named date.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, the previous question was ordered.

Mr. Gallivan raised the point of order that the order offered by Mr. Mulvey could not be entertained, inasmuch as Mr. Scott had never qualified as assistant janitor of the Sherwin School-house by reporting for duty.

The Chair ruled the point of order not well taken.

The order passed.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, the regular order of business was suspended, and the same member moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the order establishing the salary of the janitor of the Sherwin School-house was declared passed. (See pp. 429, 430.)

Mr. Merritt's motion to reconsider was declared passed.

Mr. Ernst doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The motion to reconsider passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Keenan, Kenny, Merritt, Mulvey, and Storrow — 13.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Keough, McDonald, and Pierce — 9.

Absent: Messrs. Paine and Vogel.

Mr. Merritt then offered the following as a substitute for the original order:

Salary of janitor, Sherwin School-house.

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Sherwin School-house be established at the rate of thirteen hundred twenty dollars ($1,320) per annum, to date from Aug. 16, 1903, and until otherwise ordered.

Mr. Merritt's motion to substitute was declared passed by a vote of 11 to 10.

Mr. Ernst doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The motion to substitute passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Clark, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, and Storrow — 13

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Pierce — 9.

Absent: Messrs. Paine and Vogel.

The substitute order offered by Mr. Merritt then passed.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Compensation of principals, teachers, and matrons, Educational Centres. [See p. 417.]

Ordered, That the compensation of principals, teachers, and matrons of Educational Centres for the term 1903–04 be established at the following rates:

Principals (per evening)	$5 00
Assistants (per evening)	2 00
Teachers of woodworking (per evening)	3 00
Assistant teachers of woodworking (per evening)	2 50
Special teachers of woodworking (per evening)	2 00
Matrons (per evening)	1 50

Mr. Brock moved to amend by striking out the six items appended to said order, and substituting in place thereof the four following items:

Principals (per evening)	$5 00
First assistants (per evening)	3 00
Assistants (per evening)	2 00
Matrons (per evening)	1 50

Mrs. Duff moved that the amendment be laid on the table.

Lost.

Mr. Brock's motion to amend passed.

The question came on the passage of the order as amended.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the question was divided by omitting the item establishing the compensation of first assistants.

The order, with the exception of said item, passed.

Mr. Brett moved to substitute for the aforesaid item the following:

Ordered, That the following salary be established: First Assistant in an Evening School or Educational Centre, three dollars per evening.

Salary of First Assistant, Evening Schools or Educational Centres.

On motion of the same member, the aforesaid item, together with the order immediately preceding, was referred to the Committee on Salaries.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Ordered, That training teachers appointed by the Superintendent during the current school year shall receive, in addition to their regular salary, twenty dollars ($20) for each month of actual service; and the compensation of pupil teachers shall be at the rate of one dollar ($1) for each day of actual service.

Salaries of training teachers and of pupil teachers. [See p. 417.]

Passed.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Ordered, That the salary of the head-master of the Roxbury Evening High School be fixed at the rate of five dollars ($5) for each evening of actual service for the term 1903–04.

Salary of head-master, Roxbury Evening High School. [See p. 418.]

Passed.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Ordered, That the compensation of janitors in charge of buildings occupied by Evening Schools or Educational Centres (excepting the English High School-house) for the term 1903–04 and until otherwise ordered, shall be at the rate of twenty dollars ($20) per

Compensation of janitors of Evening Schools and Educational Centres. [See p. 418.]

month. In addition thereto they shall receive one and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($1.50) per month for each room occupied,—halls to be reckoned as equivalent to three class-rooms. For those buildings in which the heating and ventilating apparatus includes an engine, the janitor shall be paid at the rate of twelve dollars ($12) per month in addition to the foregoing amounts. These rates are based upon five sessions each week, and for a less number of sessions, a proportionate deduction shall be made. For buildings in which only the manual training or cookery room is occupied for evening school purposes, the janitor shall be paid at the rate of one dollar ($1) for each evening of actual service.

On motion of Mr. Brock, recommitted to the Committee on Salaries.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Salary, special assistant to teach French, Roxbury High School. [See p. 418.]

Ordered, That the salary of the special assistant to teach French only in the Roxbury High School be fixed at the rate of two and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($2.50) for each day of actual service, to date from Sept. 9, 1903.

Passed.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Salary of assistant principal Girls' High School. [See p. 419.]

Ordered, That the salary of the assistant principal of the Girls' High School be fixed at the following rate, to date from Sept. 9, 1903: first year, sixteen hundred twenty dollars ($1,620); annual increase, seventy-two dollars ($72); maximum, eighteen hundred thirty-six dollars ($1,836).

Passed.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Authorization of text-books for High and Latin Schools. [See p. 420.]

Ordered, That the following-named books be authorized for use as text-books in the High and Latin Schools:

Animal Forms, by David S. Jordan and Harold Heath, published by D. Appleton & Co.

An introduction to Physical Geography, by Grove K. Gilbert and Albert P. Brigham, published by D. Appleton & Co.

Elementary Physical Geography, by William M. Davis, published by Ginn & Co.

Passed, 18 members voting in the affirmative.

The following communication was read:

Communication from Schoolhouse Commissioners; completion of William E. Russell Schoolhouse.

CITY OF BOSTON,
SCHOOLHOUSE DEPARTMENT,
November 3, 1903.

To the School Committee, Boston Public Schools:

I beg to inform you that the new grammar school-house in the Roger Clap District on Columbia road, now called the William E. Russell School, was completed according to the terms of the contract and ready for occupation for school purposes on Tuesday last, October 27th.

We have postponed the tinting of the assembly hall until the Christmas holidays, and certain small matters in connection with the heating are not as yet entirely satisfactory.

I am,

Very respectfully yours,
R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,
Chairman.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

John A. Andrew District. — Carrie M. Weis, assistant, Primary School, Oct. 1, 1903.

Lowell District. — Beatrice H. Gunn, assistant, Kindergarten, Oct. 1, 1903.

Mary Hemenway District. — Harlan P. Ford, first assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 23, 1903.

Mather District. — Ruth E. Browne, assistant, Grammar School, Nov. 25, 1903.

Thomas N. Hart District. — Mae I. Wigley, assistant, Kindergarten, Sept. 9, 1903.

Permanent Substitutes. — Stella M. Coates, Sara H. Colman, Grace M. Hart, F. Maud MacLachlan, Dora E. McCarty, Mary G. McDermott, Katherine A. McMurry, Anna F. Moran, Theresa C. Murray, Alice Neilan, Gertrude M. Sias, Ethel F. Smith, Nov. 2, 1903; Julia C. Walker, Nov. 25, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments and confirmations, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Bowdoin District. — Helen M. West, Boston, Grammar School, from Nov. 4, 1903.

Dillaway District. — Sarah B. C. Lane, Boston, Primary School, from Sept. 25, 1903.

Dwight District. Grace E. Coyne, Boston, Primary School, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Hancock District. — Sara H. Colman, Boston, Primary School, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Longfellow District. — Marion R. Weymouth, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 26, 1903.

Mather District. — Julia C. Walker, Boston, Primary School, from Nov. 25, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Grace M. Hart, Boston, Katherine A. McMurry, Boston, Grammar School, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Prince District. — Grace H. Smith, Arlington, Grammar School, from Nov. 5, 1903; Grace C. Hallworth, Malden, Grammar School, from Nov. 9, 1903.

Shurtleff District. — Minnie A. Kennedy, Boston, Primary School, from Nov. 5, 1903.

Wells District. — Katherine G. O'Donnell, Boston, Primary School, from Oct. 29, 1903.

Winthrop District. — Mabel J. Neil, Boston, Primary School, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Normal School. — Nellie I. Simpson, Boston, assistant, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Hyde District. — Miriam C. Gray, Cambridge, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Lyman District. — F. Maud MacLachlan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Prince District. — Angela M. Pearce, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 19, to Oct. 30, 1903, inclusive; Rosalie C. Asprey, Woburn, assistant, Grammar School, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Comins District. — Margaret T. Dooley, Boston, first assistant, Grammar School, from Nov. 11, 1903; Harriet G. Jones, Malden, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Nov. 11, 1903; Mary M. Oswald, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 11, 1903.

Edward Everett District. — Mae H. Bromley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Nov. 9, 1903.

Emerson District. — G. Caroline Penchard, Boston, principal, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1903.

Hancock District. — Ida E. Ansley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 19, 1903.

Mather District. — Alice M. Cahill, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 25, 1903.

Prince District. — Annie A. Horton, Chelsea, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Dec. 1, 1903.

Warren District. — Walter J. Phelan, Boston, submaster, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Washington Allston District. — Edith J. Jones, Watertown, assistant, Primary School, fourth year, from Dec. 1, 1903.

Instructor of Sewing. — Florence I. Waitt, Malden, from Oct. 2, 1903.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. McDonald the rules were suspended, and the appointment of Walter J. Phelan, of Boston, as sub-master in the Warren District, to date from Nov. 2, 1903, was approved.

The remaining appointments were laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation.

Dorchester High School. — Henry W. B. Arnold, assistant; Bessie A. Roberts, instructor of commercial branches.

English High School. — James W. Mace, Jr., special instructor of commercial branches.

Agassiz District. — Alice G. Cleaveland, assistant, Primary School.

Bowdoin District. — Mary A. Treen, assistant, Grammar School.

Dudley District. — Hannah E. Tobin, assistant, Grammar School.

Emerson District. — Mabel L. Josselyn, assistant, Primary School.

Everett District. — Caroline S. Winslow, assistant, Grammar School; Josephine C. Scholtes, assistant, Primary School.

Frothingham District. — Emma F. West, assistant, Grammar School.

Lewis District. — Emma M. Pearson, assistant, Primary School.

Lincoln District. — Jonathan I. Buck, Charles S. Davis, sub-masters; Sheba E. Berry, assistant, Grammar School.

Longfellow District. — Sarah L. Marshall, principal, Kindergarten.

Lowell District. — Mary A. Leary, assistant, Grammar School.

Phillips Brooks District. — Matilda Mitchell, first assistant, Primary School.

Quincy District. — Orra E. Guild, assistant, Primary School.

Warren District. — Mary M. Crane, assistant, Primary School.

Assistant Directors of Music. — Grant Drake, Leonard B. Marshall, Albert G. Mitchell, John A. O'Shea.

Assistants in Music. — Helen A. Brick, Mary L. McNulty, Laura F. Taylor, Nellie L. Woodbury.

Teacher of Special Class. — Ada M. Fitts.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Evening Schools.

Central High School. — Assistants, Albert S. Briggs, Boston, from Oct. 26, 1903; George P. Hayward, Cambridge, from Oct. 29, 1903.

Roxbury High School. — Assistants, Frederic B. Hall, Boston, from Oct. 12, 1903; Sidney Peterson, Boston, from Oct. 23, 1903; (Music) Albert G. Mitchell, Boston, from Nov. 3, 1903; (Penmanship) Edwin B. Hill, Brookline, from Nov. 2, 1903.

South Boston High School. — Assistant (Commercial Branches), Francis H. MacCarthy, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Bowdoin School. — Assistants, Marguerite C. Cronan, Boston, from Oct. 20, 1903; Mary A. L. Timony, Boston, from Oct. 26, 1903; Mary M. Phelan, Boston, from Oct. 28, 1903.

Comins School. — Assistants, Theresa C. Murray, Boston, from Oct. 19, 1903; Lena B. Winter, Boston, from Oct. 29, 1903.

Dearborn School. — Assistant, Edwin H. Watson, Boston, from Sept. 28, 1903.

Quincy School. — Assistants, Frederick Fraser, Cambridge, from Oct. 21, 1903; Elizabeth W. O'Connell, Boston, from Oct. 26, 1903.

Wells School. — Assistants, Mary E. McCormick, Boston, from Oct. 22, 1903; Sarah B. C. Lane, Boston, Mary A. Dunican, Boston, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Subsequently, the following appointments of Principals of Evening Schools, for the term 1903–04, made by the Superintendent, were presented for the approval of the Board:

Charlestown High School. — Walter L. Harrington, Boston, Head-master, from Oct. 28, 1903.

East Boston High School. — Henry H. Folsom, Somerville, Head-master, from Oct. 28, 1903.

South Boston High School. — W. Lawrence Murphy, Boston, Head-master, from Oct. 28, 1903.

Lyman School. — John J. Sheehan, Boston, from Nov. 11, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:

Brimmer District. — Katherine E. Lahey, assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 27, 1903, until Feb. 27, 1904; Alice A. Sanborn, Boston, substitute.

Henry L. Pierce District. — Elizabeth C. Estey, assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 5, until Dec. 1, 1903; Margaret C. McCloskey, Boston, substitute.

Hyde District. — Louise A. Kelley, assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 1, 1903, until Jan. 1, 1904; Mary E. McCormick, Boston, substitute.

Lewis District. — Agnes R. Elliott, principal, Kindergarten, from Oct. 26, until Nov. 26, 1903; Mabelle L. Boyer, Cambridge, substitute.

Lyman District. — Annie M. Wilcox, first assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 1, 1903, until Jan., 1, 1904; M. Gertrude Godvin, Boston, substitute.

Phillips District. — Katherine A. Burns, first assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 26, 1903, until Jan. 2, 1904; Alice Neilan, Boston, substitute.

Schools of Cookery. — Althea W. Lindenberg, instructor, from Nov. 4, until Dec. 14, 1903; Ethel M. Willett, Needham, substitute.

Manual Training Schools. — Louise H. Billings, assistant instructor, from Nov. 1, until Dec. 25, 1903; Delia E. Donahoe, Medford, substitute.

The following appointment was accompanied by a written statement by the Superintendent of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto:

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Evening Schools.

Bowdoin School. — Alice L. Manning, Milton, teacher of cookery, from Oct. 27, 1903.

Rules suspended.

The rules were suspended to permit the foregoing appointment, and the appointment laid over, under the rule.

The following appointment, made by the Superintendent, in pursuance of a special order passed by the Board, was presented for approval:

Quincy School. — Ella M. Phelps, Cambridge, teacher of sewing, from Nov. 3, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence; rules suspended.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to

the following-named teacher for the term specified, on half-pay, and her resignation was accepted to take effect Oct. 19, 1904:

Prince District. — Katherine C. Martin, assistant, Grammar School, from Oct 19, 1903, until Oct. 19, 1904.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRES.

Educational Centres.

The appointments of the candidates named below as teachers in Educational Centres for the season of 1903–1904, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, and orders passed by the Board, were presented for approval:

East Boston Educational Centre. — Clara A. W. Barnes, Boston, Cyrus B. Collins, Rockland, Marion R. Fenno, Boston, Agnes C. Flynn, Boston, Ida E. Halliday, Boston, Helen Harvie, Boston, Frank L. Keith, Boston, Mary E. Keyes, Boston, William W. Locke, Westwood, Mary F. Moore, Boston, Katherine R. A. Nolan, Boston, Nellie M. Porter, Boston, Mary H. Shed, Boston, Gertrude M. Sias, Boston, Caroline Swift, Boston, N. Florence Treat, Chelsea, George A. Tyzzer, Boston, Margaret M. Whalen, Boston.

Lowell Educational Centre. — Margaret T. Casey, Boston.

Laid over, under the rule.

PERMANENT SUBSTITUTES.

Permanent substitutes.

The following list of substitutes to serve in the place of absent assistants in the Grammar and Primary Schools, appointed by the Superintendent, in compliance with the terms of Section 146 of the Regulations, was presented for the approval of the Board:

Katherine T. O'Sullivan, Dedham, from Nov. 2, 1903; Bertha F. Dodge, Boston, from Nov. 5, 1903; Gertrude O. Oppenheim, Boston, from Nov. 6, 1903.

Approved.

Designation of a first assistant to take charge of a district.

The Superintendent reported that he had designated Ellen C. Sawtelle, first assistant of the Hancock School, to take charge of the schools in that district during the absence of Lewis H. Dutton, master, from Oct. 15, 1903, until Apr. 15, 1904, or until the vacancy caused by his absence is otherwise filled.

Placed on file.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Minors' licenses.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of forty-six minors to be licensed as newsboys, and of one to be licensed as a bootblack.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the licenses of three minors to sell newspapers for having violated the conditions on which said licenses were granted them.

Approved.

The following communication from the Superintendent was read:

Communication from Superintendent; afternoon sessions of Gilbert Stuart School. [See p. 424.]

BOSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT,
BOSTON, November 10, 1903.

To the School Committee:

Having investigated the circumstances which caused the Master of the Gilbert Stuart School to ask that he may be allowed to begin the afternoon sessions at 1.45 P.M. and close them at 3.45 P.M. from November 1, 1903 until February 1, 1904, I respectfully report that it is my judgment that the order providing therefor, which was referred to me by the School Committee at its meeting of October 27, 1903, ought to pass.

EDWIN P. SEAVER,
Superintendent of Public Schools.

Accepted.

Afternoon sessions, Gilbert Stuart School. [See p. 424.]

Subsequently, Mr. Merritt moved the passage of the order referred to in the foregoing communication, viz.:

Ordered, That the afternoon sessions of the Gilbert Stuart School be allowed to begin at 1.45 P.M., and close at 3.45 P.M., from Nov. 1, 1903, until Feb. 1, 1904.

Rules suspended.

On motion of the same member, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Accounts; additional sub-master, Phillips Brooks District. [See p. 423.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — Oct. 27 — an order that an additional sub-master be allowed in the Phillips Brooks District, reported that upon investigation they find that a sub-master has been allowed for many years as one of the teachers in the Hull School, Quincy street, occupied partly by grammar classes. This committee are of the opinion that it is wise to continue the custom, and recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That an additional sub-master be allowed in the Phillips Brooks District, to continue in service during such time as there are grammar classes located in the Hull School.

Rules suspended.

Accepted, and the order passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salary due Nathaniel H. Hall.

Ordered, That the salary due Nathaniel H. Hall, deceased, late janitor of the Harbor View-street and Mayflower Schools and of the portable building, amounting to sixteen dollars and fifty cents ($16.50) be paid to his widow, Martha F. Hall.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salary due Margaret A. Brennick.

Ordered, That the salary due Margaret A. Brennick, deceased, late janitor of the Way-street School, amounting to twenty-five dollars ($25) be paid to her brother, Charles B. Brennick.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, the regular order of business was suspended and the order offered by him at the last meeting that a kindergarten be established in the William E. Russell District (see Minutes, p. 420) was recalled from the Committee on Accounts.

Establishment of kindergarten, William E. Russell District. [See p. 420.]

On motion of the same member, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred — Oct. 27 — an order that a suitable fence with gates be provided for the front main entrance of the William E. Russell School, reported that this matter has been referred to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, who state that such fence and gates are not considered desirable.

Report of Committee on School Houses; fence with gates for William E. Russell School. [See p. 420.]

Accepted.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 8 — a communication from the Schoolhouse Commissioners stating that the primary schoolhouse in the Christopher Gibson District has been accepted as completed and is turned over to the School Committee, reported that at the date of said communication the building in question, the Jefferson School, located on Westville street, was not ready for occupancy, and consequently your committee have deferred reporting upon this matter until now. The building was first occupied for school purposes on Sept. 28, although the furniture in all of the rooms was not then ready for use. It is now fully furnished and your committee recommend that it be accepted on the part of this Board.

Report of Committee on School Houses; acceptance of Jefferson School, Westville street. [See p. 304.]

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Report of Committee on School Houses; tablet for Robert G. Shaw School-house. [See pp. 422, 423.]

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 27 — an order relative to the placing of a tablet upon the Robert G. Shaw School-house, inscribed with the name of the school, reported that it is the intention of the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners to furnish such tablet, and that no further action is necessary on the part of this Board.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on School Houses; discharge, resignations, and appointments of janitors.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, reported the following discharge, resignations and appointments:

JANITORS.

Discharge.

Ira Allen School-house. — George F. J. Finn, to date from Oct. 31, 1903.

Approved.

Resignations.

Harvest and Boston-streets School-house. — Patrick J. Sheerin, to date from Oct. 31, 1903.

20 Mt. Vernon-street School-house. — James W. Lindsay, to date from Nov. 2, 1903.

Accepted.

Appointments.

Ira Allen School-house. — Hilary J. Johnson, to date from Nov. 11, 1903.

Way-street School-house. — Charles B. Brennick, to date from Nov. 1, 1903.

Approved.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Salary janitor Glenway Annex.

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Glenway Annex be fixed at the rate of one hundred twenty dollars ($120) per annum, to date from Oct. 6, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Hancock School Annex be fixed at the rate of one hundred eighty dollars ($180) per annum, to date from Sept. 1, 1903, until otherwise ordered. Salary janitor Hancock School Annex.

Laid over, under the rule.

On motion of Mrs. Duff, the regular order of business was suspended, and the same member offered the following:

Ordered, That $1.50 per day be paid to the janitor of the Mead-street School pending the action of the Committee on Salaries upon the order to be found on page 355 of the Minutes. Payment to janitor of Mead-street School.

Mrs Duff moved that the rules be suspended in order to permit the passage of the aforesaid order.

The motion to suspend the rules was declared lost.

Mrs. Duff doubted the vote, and on her motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

Mrs. Duff's motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, McDonald, Merritt, and Mulvey — 11. Yeas and nays.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Keough, and Storrow — 10.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Paine, Pierce, and Vogel.

The order was declared laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Ernst raised the point of order that the order should, under the rules, be referred to the Committee on Salaries.

The Chair ruled the point of order well taken, and the order was accordingly so referred.

Miss Barrows, for the Committee on the Horace Mann School, offered the following:

Employment and salary of special assistant, Horace Mann School.

Ordered, That there be allowed in the Horace Mann School a special assistant teacher, at a salary of one dollar and fifty cents ($1.50) per day, to date from Oct. 27, 1903, and to continue during the current school year.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings, offered the following:

Payment to Bernard M. Sheridan.

Ordered, That there be paid to Bernard M. Sheridan the sum of thirty dollars ($30) for a course of six study lectures in literature, given in the South Boston Educational Centre, during the current term.

Laid over, under the rule.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, for the same committee, it was

Employment of matrons of Bigelow Educational Centre.

Ordered, That the employment of Margaret Mountain and of Mary J. Slattery as matrons of the Bigelow Educational Centre, to date from Oct. 5, 1903, and to continue for the present term, is hereby approved by this Board.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, for the same committee, it was

Employment of matron of East Boston Educational Centre.

Ordered, That the employment of Hannah M. Morrison as matron of the East Boston Educational Centre, to date from Oct. 29, 1903, and to continue for the present term, is hereby approved by this Board.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following:

Reimbursement of janitors for expenses incurred in cleaning woodwork, etc.

Ordered, That janitors who have expended money in accordance with instructions of the Schoolhouse Custodian's circular No. 7, 1903, with reference to cleaning painted and varnished woodwork, etc., be reimbursed for such expenditure.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

On motion of Mr. Casey, it was

Opinion of Corporation Counsel on

Ordered, That the opinion of the Corporation Counsel be obtained as to the legality of appointing Joseph G.

Scott assistant janitor of the Sherwin School when it is understood that said Scott is unable to perform any of the duties of said position; and further, as to the legality of voting said Scott a leave of absence upon full pay for said position, when it is understood he has never performed any of the duties of said position and never entered upon the discharge of any of said duties, and that pages 310 and 311 of the Minutes of this Board relating to said matter be referred to by said Counsel.

legality of appointment of Joseph G. Scott and granting him leave of absence.

On motion of Mr. Casey, it was

Ordered, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to report to this Board in what portion of the city the Normal School should be located. Also that said Commissioners be requested to inform this Board as near as possible the cost to the city of the Normal School if the Worthington-street site is selected; then the cost if the Crafts estate is selected; then the cost if the Gaston lot is selected.

Location of Normal School site.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to consider and report upon the expediency of amending the Regulations to provide that a larger amount of executive responsibility than they now possess shall be imposed upon sub-masters in Grammar Schools.

Proposed amendment of Regulations; more executive responsibility to sub-masters.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to consider and report upon the expediency of amending the Regulations to provide that graduates of the Boston Normal School shall be entitled to receive certificates of qualification to teach in the Grammar and Primary Schools and Kindergartens of this city only after a certain amount of successful experience as teachers.

Proposed amendment of Regulations; Normal School graduates certificated only after successful teaching experience.

Miss Dierkes offered the following:

Designation of various Evening Schools.

Ordered, That all schools taught during the evening be called Evening Schools; the present Evening Schools be called the Academic Department; all other schools be called the Industrial Department, and teach only industrial subjects.

Mr. Keough moved that the aforesaid order be referred to a joint committee, consisting of the Committee on Evening Schools and the Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings.

Mr. Casey moved as an amendment that the order be referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations, and the order was so referred.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Manual Training, offered the following:

Sessions of school of cookery in Bowdoin School-house.

Ordered, That the sessions of the school of cookery in the Bowdoin School-house may begin at one o'clock P.M. in order to accommodate the pupils in the Wells District; the same to be without additional expense to the city.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brock offered the following:

Additional Kindergarten, Bennett District.

Ordered, That an additional kindergarten be established in the Bennett District.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Brock offered the following:

Naming of new school-house, Washington-Allston District, Thomas Gardner School.

Ordered, That the new school-house to be erected in the Washington Allston District be named the Thomas Gardner School in honor of Colonel Thomas Gardner, patriot and soldier.

Referred to the Committee on Names of Buildings.

The following communication was read:

Communication from D. A. R. bronze; tablet for Paul Jones Schoolhouse.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION,
BOSTON, MASS., Nov. 7, 1903.

To the School Committee of the City of Boston:

The Committee on Co-operation in Patriotic Work, composed of delegates from the four Revolutionary Societies respectfully

petitions your honorable body that permission be granted to place a suitable tablet of bronze upon the Paul Jones school-house in East Boston. Said tablet to be inscribed in a manner approved by your honorable body, and to commemorate the founding of the American Navy.

(Miss) MARION HOWARD BRAZIER,
Originator of the idea of naming the school-house for Paul Jones, and the principal petitioner.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

On motion of Mr. Gallivan, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

UNION LABEL TRADES COUNCIL BOSTON MASS. 21

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, November 24, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Gallivan, McDonald, and Paine.

On motion of Mr. Clark, the records of the last meeting were amended by substituting the word Marshall for the word "Jefferson," in the seventh line of the report of the Committee on School Houses relative to the acceptance of the Westville-street Primary Schoolhouse in the Christopher Gibson District. (See Minutes, p. 445.)

Records amended.

On motion of the same member, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed, as amended.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments and confirmations of instructors, as presented at the last meeting, with the exception of the Principals of the Charlestown, East Boston, and South Boston Evening High Schools, and of the Lyman Evening Elementary School, which appointments required approval by a yea and nay vote.

Approval of appointments and confirmations laid over.

The appointments and confirmations, with the foregoing exceptions, were approved.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the following appointments:

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Charlestown High School. — Walter L. Harrington, Boston, Head-master, from Oct. 28, 1903.

Appointments of Evening School principals.

East Boston High School. — Henry H. Folsom, Somerville, Head-master, from Oct. 28, 1903.

South Boston High School. — W. Lawrence Murphy, Boston, Head-master, from Oct. 28, 1903.

Lyman School. — John J. Sheehan, Boston, from Nov. 11, 1903.

The appointments were approved by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Kenny, Merritt, Mulvey, and Pierce — 13.

Nays: None.

Absent or not voting. — Mr. Burrill, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Keough, McDonald, Paine, Storrow, and Vogel.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

Salary janitor Glenway Annex. [See p. 446.]

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Glenway Annex be fixed at the rate of one hundred twenty dollars ($120) per annum, to date from Oct. 6, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salary janitor Hancock School Annex. [See p. 447.]

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Hancock School Annex be fixed at the rate of one hundred eighty dollars ($180) per annum, to date from Sept. 1, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Payment to Bernard M. Sheridan. [See p. 448.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Bernard M. Sheridan the sum of thirty dollars ($30) for a course of six study lectures in literature, given in the South Boston Educational Centre, during the current term.

The following communication was read:

Communication from City Council; study of Irish language in day and evening high schools.

CITY OF BOSTON.
IN COMMON COUNCIL, November 5, 1903.

Whereas, A large number of Irish-American citizens desire to, and are studying the Irish language at considerable expense to themselves; and

Whereas, The number of such persons studying the said language would be greatly increased if the opportunities were better; and

Whereas, The amount of taxes paid by said citizens for the maintenance of the public schools would warrant the establishing of courses in such language; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the City Council, do hereby request the School Committee to include in the curriculum of the day and evening high schools the study of the Irish language; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the School Committee.

Adopted. Sent up for concurrence.

ARTHUR W. DOLAN,
President.

In Board of Aldermen, Nov. 9, concurred.

JAMES H. DOYLE,
Chairman.

A true copy.

Attest:

EDWARD J. DONOVAN,
City Clerk.

Referred to the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books.

The following communication was read:

CITY OF BOSTON,
SCHOOLHOUSE DEPARTMENT,
November 13, 1903.

Communication from Schoolhouse Commissioners; site for new Normal School-house.

To the School Committee, Boston Public Schools:

The Schoolhouse Commissioners are in receipt of an order of the School Committee of November 10, asking "in what portion of the city the Normal School should be located; also, that said Commissioners be requested to inform this Board, as near as possible, the cost to the city of the Normal School if the Worthington-street site is selected; then the cost if the Crafts estate is selected; then the cost if the Gaston lot is selected."

I beg to state that in the opinion of this Board, it is not competent for them to determine in what portion of the city the Normal School should be located, this being a matter which is legally determined by your Board.

As to the further portion of your communication, I beg to say that it is practically impossible to make a comparison between the cost to the city of the Normal School on the three sites mentioned, as the circumstances on each site are different, owing to special conditions connected with each. These are briefly as follows:

The price which the city would pay for the Worthington street site is dependent upon the city purchasing enough land for the Normal, Training School and the Girls' Latin School, the total area actually offered being in excess of what the Commissioners believe absolutely essential for these three items; what the price of land would be if the Normal alone were located in this neighborhood is a different question.

The cost to the city of the Normal School, if located on the Crafts estate, is entirely dependent upon whether or no the School Committee would be willing to appropriate for the purpose of a training school the building now being erected on the corner of Huntington avenue and Kenwood road, adjacent to the Crafts estate. If the School Committee were unwilling to take this action, the Crafts estate would be inadequate to contain both the Normal and the Girls' Latin, and if taken for the Normal School only, the final cost to the city would be figured quite differently from the cost when figured in conjunction with the Girls' Latin.

As to the Gaston lot, it is there a question of the Normal School only, without any consideration of the Girls' Latin, as in the case of the two other lots, and without any consideration of being able to utilize another building for a training school, as in the case of the Crafts estate.

There is, therefore, in the judgment of this Board, no adequate means of making a real comparison.

I am, very respectfully yours,

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,
Chairman.

Placed on file.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Bennett District. — Charlotte Adams, first assistant, Primary School, Dec. 1, 1903.

Franklin District. — Annie M. F. Farrell, assistant, Primary School, Nov. 9, 1903.

Hyde District. — Augusta M. Wood, assistant, Kindergarten, Nov. 2, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Ida G. Thurston, assistant, Kindergarten, Oct. 27, 1903.

Lincoln District. — Ellen V. Courtney, assistant, Primary School, Oct. 1, 1903.

Lyman District. — Charlena D. Hoyt, assistant, Kindergarten, Dec. 1, 1903.

Sherwin District. — Francis M. Mooers, assistant, Grammar School, Dec. 1, 1903.

Warren District. — Henry C. Parker, sub-master, Nov. 1, 1903.

Wells District. — Winifred H. Berry, assistant, Primary School, Dec. 1, 1903.

William E. Russell District. — Minnie E. G. Price, assistant, Primary School, Oct. 26, 1903.

Manual Training Schools. — Sybel G. Brown, assistant instructor, Nov. 1, 1903.

School on Spectacle Island. — James D. Russell, teacher, Nov. 16, 1903.

Permanent substitutes. — Alice D. Murley, Nov. 2, 1903; Catherine G. Sheahan, Dec. 1, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations, and transfer made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Dudley District. — Isabel J. Ross, Boston, Grammar School, from Nov. 16, 1903.

Quincy District. — Grace H. Smith, Arlington, Grammar School, from Nov. 19, 1903.

Sherwin District. — Catherine G. Sheahan, Boston, Grammar School, from Dec. 1, 1903.

Thomas N. Hart District. — Margaret L. Carolan, Boston, Primary School, from Nov. 16, 1903.

Wells District. — Adalena H. Dudley, Boston, Primary School, from Nov. 16, 1903.

Winthrop District. — Anna H. O'Connell, Boston, Primary School, from Nov. 9, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Bennett District. — Anna M. Meyer, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Dec. 1, 1903.

Dudley District. — Edward F. O'Dowd, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Nov. 13, 1903.

Franklin District. — Mary M. Simpson, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 9, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Delia Condron, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Nov. 11, 1903.

Warren District. — Edward F. O'Dowd, Boston, submaster, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Manual Training Schools. — Richard Benson, Boston, assistant instructor, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Lewis District. — Clotilda A. Delany, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Dec. 5, 1903.

Sherwin District. — Henrietta L. Wallburg, assistant, Primary School, from Dec. 21, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Bennett District. — Margaret I. Scollans, Boston, first assistant, Primary School, from Dec. 1, 1903.

Bigelow District. — Alice M. Mulrey, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Oct. 5, 1903.

Bowdoin District. — Caroline R. Pulsifer, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Dec. 5, 1903.

Chapman District. — Grace Crandon, Boston, assistant, Primary School, fourth year, from Nov. 25, 1903.

John A. Andrew District. — Helen M. Waterman, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 2, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Maud F. Crosby, Boston, first assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903; Blanche

G. F. Horner, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 12, 1903.

Lyman District. — Grace R. Neeley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Dec. 1, 1903; Marion R. Fenno, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Dec. 1, 1903.

Sherwin District. — Alice M. Colleton, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Dec. 1, 1903.

Thomas N. Hart District. — S. Louella Sweeney, Boston, first assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 9, 1903.

School on Spectacle Island. — James D. Russell, Boston, teacher, from Oct. 26, 1903; James T. Donovan, Boston, teacher, from Nov. 16, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmations.

Christopher Gibson District. — Deborah A. McColl, assistant, Grammar School.

Edward Everett District. — Bessie M. Elliott, assistant, Primary School.

Henry L. Pierce District. — Agnes M. Macdonald, assistant, Kindergarten.

John A. Andrew District. —Gertrude E. Puffer, assistant, Primary School.

Norcross District. — Carrie A. Whitaker, assistant, Grammar School; Mary A. I. O'Brien, assistant, Primary School.

Quincy District. — Mary E. Denehy, principal, Kindergarten.

Roger Wolcott District. — Eva M. Morand, first assistant, Grammar School.

Special Class. — Margaret M. Brosnahan, teacher.

Laid over, under the rule.

TRANSFER.

Transfer.

Lyman District. — Josephine Fitzgerald, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Primary Schools of the same district, to date from Dec. 1, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Evening schools.

Charlestown High School. — Assistant (Music), Charles H. D. Murphy, Boston, from Oct. 29, 1903.

South Boston High School. — Assistants (Music), John A. O'Shea, Boston, from Nov. 12, 1903; (Physical Training), Karl T. Whitney, Boston, from Nov. 16, 1903; (Drawing), Felix A. Gendrot, Boston, from Nov. 19, 1903.

Bowdoin School. — Assistant, Gertrude F. Sullivan, Boston, from Nov. 4, 1903.

Eliot School. — Assistant, Mary M. Simpson, Boston, from Nov. 3, 1903.

Warren School. — Teacher of Woodworking, Frank Carter, Woburn, from Nov. 16, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:

Roxbury High School. — Nathaniel S. French, master, from Nov. 4, 1903, until Feb. 1, 1904; Henry W. Kirmayer, Boston, substitute.

Dudley District. — Winifred Ryder, Boston, substitute for Kate F. Crosby, assistant, Kindergarten, granted leave of absence.

Dwight District. — Eleanor P. Gay, principal, Kindergarten, from Oct. 19, 1903, until Dec. 1, 1903; Elizabeth E. Curley, Boston, substitute.

George Putnam District. — Carrie A. Colton, assistant, Grammar School, from Dec. 1, 1903, until Apr. 1, 1904; Alice A. Doherty, Boston, substitute.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Martha G. Breckenridge, principal, Kindergarten, from Nov. 2, 1903, until Jan. 2, 1904; Edith S. Schweitzer, Brockton, substitute.

Washington Allston District. — Edith S. Gordon, substitute for Margaret C. Hunt, assistant, Grammar School, granted leave of absence.

The following appointment was accompanied by a written statement by the Superintendent of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto:

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Washington Allston School. — Teacher of Cookery, Elizabeth T. Sumner, Newton, from Nov. 17, 1903. Evening schools.

The rules were suspended to permit the foregoing appointment, and the appointment laid over, under the rule. Rules suspended.

The following appointments, made by the Superintendent, in pursuance of special orders passed by the Board, were presented for approval:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Mechanic Arts High School. — Henry C. Short, Boston, from Nov. 23, 1903. Special assistants.

Horace Mann School. — Theresa V. Arato, Boston, from Oct. 27, 1903, to Nov. 6, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRES.

The appointments of the candidates named below as teachers in Educational Centres for the season of 1903–1904, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Educational Centres.

Regulations, and orders passed by the Board, were presented for approval:

Bigelow Educational Centre. — Blanche A. Bemis, Boston, Florence H. Murray, Cambridge, Walter H. Naylor, Boston, Minnie E. Rochford, Wellesley, Isabel S. Skinner, Easton, Nina E. Titus, Boston.

East Boston Educational Centre. — Frances M. Carr, Boston, Nellie E. Dunne, Boston, Mary L. Green, Boston, Laura M. Hawkins, Boston, Grace S. Mansfield, Boston, Mary E. Porter, Boston, Grace B. McCormick, Boston.

West End Educational Centre. — Clara L. Dorr, Boston, Frank L. Keith, Boston, Joshua Q. Litchfield Quincy.

Laid over, under the rule.

PERMANENT SUBSTITUTES.

Permanent substitutes.

The following appointment of a substitute to serve in the place of absent assistants in the Grammar and Primary Schools, made by the Superintendent, in compliance with the terms of Section 146 of the Regulations, was presented for the approval of the Board:

Mary A. Mahoney, Boston, from Nov. 19, 1903.

Approved.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Minors' licenses.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of forty minors to be licensed as newsboys, and of one to be licensed as a bootblack.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

Revocation of a minors' license.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of one minor to sell newspapers for having violated the conditions on which said license was granted him.

Approved.

Report of Committee on Accounts; employment and salary of special assistant, Horace Mann School. [See p. 448.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — Nov. 10 — an order that a special assistant teacher be allowed in the Horace Mann School, reported that after due consideration they favor the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That there be allowed in the Horace Mann School, a special assistant teacher at a salary of one dollar and fifty cents ($1.50) per day, to date from Oct. 27, 1903, and to continue during the current school year.

Accepted, and the order passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred — Nov. 10 — a communication from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners stating that the new William E. Russell School-house on Columbia road, Dorchester, has been completed according to the terms of the contract, and was ready for occupation for school purposes on Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1903, reported that this building was occupied on the date stated, and your committee therefore recommend that it be accepted on the part of this Board.

Report of Committee on School Houses; acceptance of William E. Russell School-house. [See p. 435.]

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, reported for the information of the Board that in consequence of the widening of Walter street, Roslindale, the Board of Street Commissioners took on Oct. 4, 1901, six hundred eighty-three square feet of land from the Longfellow School estate, and has estimated the damage thereof at five hundred ninety-one and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($591.50).

Report of Committee on School Houses; taking of part of Longfellow School estate.

Accepted.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, reported the following death, discharge, and resignations:

JANITORS.

Death.

Tuckerman School-house. — Artemas D. Bickford, from Nov. 21, 1903.

Report of Committee on School Houses; death, discharge, and resignations of janitors.

Accepted.

Discharge.

Athenæum Building School. — Andrew C. Scott, to date from Oct. 31, 1903.

Approved.

Resignations.

Christopher Gibson Portable No. 5 School-house. — Winthrop B. Robinson, to date from Oct. 9, 1903.

Christopher Gibson Portable No. 43 School-house. — Timothy C. Keleher, to date from Oct. 9, 1903.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of, and payment to, janitor of Mead-street School-house. [See pp. 355, 447.]

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom were referred — Sept. 22 — an order that the salary of the janitor of the Mead-street School-house be increased from $228 to $456 per annum, to date from Oct. 1, and — Nov. 10 — an order that this janitor be paid at the rate of $1.50 per day pending action on the proposed increase of his salary, reported that this is but one of numerous similar applications which have been brought to the attention of your committee, and on which action has been deferred in view of the proposed establishment of a uniform schedule by which the salaries of all such employees shall be determined. While your committee fully appreciate the peculiar circumstances relating to this particular case, and believe that the present salary is inadequate for the duties which the janitor is required to perform, they do not feel justified in recommending that special action should be taken in one case alone while many other meritorious applications remain unacted upon, more especially in view of the fact that it is confidently hoped that a schedule of salaries for janitors, which has long been in course of preparation, will be ready for presentation to the Board at its next meeting, and will, if adopted, effect a substantial increase in the salary of the janitor in question. Under

these circumstances your committee recommend that no further action be taken on the orders referred.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the compensation of each of the interpreters whose employment in the Eliot Evening School was authorized at the meeting of Oct. 27, be established at the rate of two dollars ($2) for each evening of actual service for the term 1903–04.

Compensation of interpreters in Eliot Evening School.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Roxbury Evening High School be established at the rate of forty-five dollars ($45) per month for the term 1903–04, and until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of Roxbury Evening High School.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the South Boston Evening High School be established at the rate of forty-five dollars ($45) per month for the term 1903–04, and until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of South Boston Evening High School.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Marshall School-house be established at the rate of eleven hundred sixteen dollars ($1,116) per annum, to date from Sept. 15, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of Marshall School-house.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salary of janitor of William E. Russell School-house.

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the William E. Russell School-house be established at the rate of eighteen hundred thirty-six dollars ($1,836) per annum, to date from Oct. 15, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Henry T. Allchin.

Ordered, That there be paid to Henry T. Allchin the sum of one and $\frac{25}{100}$ dollars ($1.25) for additional assistance employed by him while acting as temporary janitor of the Ticknor School-house during the month of October, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Alice Burke.

Ordered, That there be paid to Alice Burke the sum of five dollars ($5) for services as assistant to the substitute janitor of the Adams School-house from Oct. 19 to Oct. 24, 1903, inclusive, and from Oct. 26 to Nov. 7, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Margaret Guild.

Ordered, That there be paid to Margaret Guild the sum of three and $\frac{80}{100}$ dollars ($3.80) for services as assistant to the substitute janitor of the Adams School-house from Oct. 20 to Oct. 24, 1903, inclusive, and from Oct. 26 to Nov. 7, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salaries of janitors of Educational Centres.

Ordered, That the salaries of janitors of Educational Centres be established for the term 1903–04 at the following rates per month: twelve dollars ($12) for the first room, and two dollars ($2) for each additional room occupied.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, to whom were referred — Nov. 10 — an order that the salary of a first assistant in an Evening School or Educational Centre be established at the rate of three dollars ($3) for each evening of service, and an item fixing the salary of such position in an Educational Centre alone at the same rate, reported that the established salary of first assistants in Evening Schools is now, and for many years has been, at the rate of $2.50 per evening, and in the opinion of your committee the same rate should apply to similar positions in Educational Centres as well. Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the following order:

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of first assistants, Evening Schools or Educational Centres. [See pp. 432, 433.]

Ordered, That the salaries of first assistants in Educational Centres be established at the rate of two and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($2.50) for each evening of actual service for the term 1903-04.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Brock, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Salaries be permitted to report in print upon a schedule of salaries for janitors.

Schedule of salaries for janitors to be printed.

Mr. Ernst, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order providing that the Rules be amended to define the duties of the Director of Physical Training, reported that in their opinion a chapter should be added to the Rules in which the duties of all Directors shall be set forth. Your committee now recommend the adoption of the amendment contained in the appended order as the first section to such a chapter.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; duties of Director of Physical Training.

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows:

Add the following chapter:

CHAPTER X.

Duties of Directors.

SECTION 115. It shall be the duty of the Director of Physical Training to visit regularly all the schools of the city, and report to the Superintendent upon all matters relating to or affecting the health of pupils and teachers, such as the proper seating of the pupils, the care of defective children, the proper ventilation and sanitation of school buildings, and generally all matters usually included in the term "school hygiene"; also to report all violations of the Rules and Regulations or of any order of the Board, and all acts or practices in the schools which affect, and which he may deem prejudicial to, the physical welfare of the pupils; he shall also have, under the direction of the Superintendent, the general supervision of physical training in all the schools. He shall make an annual report in writing to the superintendent on or before March 1, and at such other times as the Superintendent may request.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, presented the following:

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; amendment of Section 37, paragraph 2 of Rules; appointment of janitors. [See p. 421.]

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — Oct. 27 — an order proposing an amendment to Sect. 37 of the Rules, report as follows:

Shortly after the reference to this committee of the foregoing order, a petition remonstrating against the same, signed by a number of janitors, was presented to the Committee on School Houses, who referred the same to this committee. A hearing was given, which was attended by several masters and janitors, by members of the Committee on School Houses, and by the member who offered the order. In this hearing it developed that there was an evident misunderstanding as to the scope of the order. The fear was expressed that it might give the masters a practical veto power, and that the system of promotion for merit adopted two years ago, and so successfully carried out by the Committee on School Houses, might be in danger. If this were so, this committee would hesitate in recommending the proposed amendment. They heartily approve of the present system, and would not knowingly do anything to interfere with its operation. It acts as an inspiration to the force, holding out hope of reward for well doing. They feel, however, that as between janitors of substantially equal merit and length of service, the wishes of the master might well be considered, and that at least an opportunity to be heard should be given him. Certainly no harm could, and

much good might, come from this. This does not mean that his wishes should necessarily be final. In order that the amendment may not be construed as giving an absolute veto, even by implication, the phraseology of the order as referred has been somewhat changed.

The committee feel that the rule should be broadened to include matrons, engineers, and all similar employees of the Board. They also feel that as the ultimate power in such matters rests with the Board, an opportunity ought in each case to be given members personally to investigate the facts, if they so desire; and for that purpose action by the Board should be deferred, as in the case of teachers, for a period of two weeks. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

Sect. 37. Par. 2. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:

2. Shall, after an opportunity to be heard has been given the principal of the school or district affected and, subject to the approval of the Board, appoint, transfer, and discharge janitors, engineers, matrons, and other persons employed by the Board for the care and maintenance of the several school-houses; and, subject to the approval of the Board, make such regulations as they shall deem necessary for the government of such employees, and see that the same are enforced. These regulations shall be printed and distributed to the principals of schools and districts, and to the employees affected therby. All appointments, transfers, and discharges of employees enumerated in this paragraph, when reported by the committee, shall lie over for two weeks before being acted upon by the Board.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; amendment of Section 225 of Regulations.

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, reported that their attention has recently been called to Section 225 of the Regulations, and the interpretation to be placed upon its provisions and, not deeming the section entirely clear as it stands, report with the assent of the Superintendent, the amendment contained in the appended order.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

SECT. 225. Insert after the word "read" in the first line, the words: — or distributed, — and insert after the word "sale" in

the sixth line, the words: — or for any commercial purpose of any kind except such as pertains to the school service, — so that the section will read as follows:

SECT. 225. No advertisement shall be read or distributed to the pupils of any school on the premises thereof, or be posted on the walls or fences of any school building; and no agent or other person shall be permitted to enter any school premises for the purpose of exhibiting, either to teachers or pupils, any book or article offered for sale, or for any commercial purpose of any kind except such as pertains to the school service. No list of pupils shall be given by teachers to any person not an officer of the Board.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on the Extended Use of School Buildings, offered the following:

Suspension of sessions of Educational Centres, Nov. 27.

Ordered, That the sessions of the Educational Centres be suspended on Friday evening, Nov. 27, and that the salaries of the instructors in these centres be allowed and paid for said evening.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, for the same committee, it was

Employment of matron, West End Educational Centre.

Ordered, That the employment of Nellie A. Long as matron of the West End Educational Centre, to date from Nov. 16, 1903, and to continue for the present term, is hereby approved by this Board.

Mr. Brett, for the Committee on Evening Schools, offered the following:

Suspension of sessions of Evening High and Elementary Schools Nov. 27.

Ordered, That the sessions of the Evening High and Evening Elementary Schools be suspended on Friday evening, Nov. 27, and that the salaries of the instructors in these schools be allowed and paid for said evening.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Interpreters authorized in Wells and Lyman Evening Schools.

Ordered, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to appoint an interpreter in the Wells Evening School, and not exceeding two interpreters in the Lyman

Evening School, at a compensation of two dollars per evening of actual service.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Miss Barrows, for the Committee on the Horace Mann School, presented the annual report of that committee in print (School Document No. 8, 1903).

Annual report Committee on Horace Mann School.

Accepted.

Mr. Ernst, having filed with the Secretary the required notice of his intention so to do, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby an order establishing the salary of the assistant janitor of the Sherwin School-house at three hundred sixty dollars per annum from Aug. 1, 1903, until July 31, 1904, was declared passed at the last meeting. (See Minutes, p. 430.)

Reconsideration of order regarding salary of assistant janitor of Sherwin School-house. [See p. 430.]

The motion to reconsider passed.

The question came on the passage of the order.

Lost.

Mr. Ernst, having filed with the Secretary the required notice of his intention so to do, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby an order that the assistant janitor of the Sherwin School-house be granted leave of absence until Aug. 1, 1904, at a salary of three hundred sixty dollars per annum, upon receipt of his resignation, to take effect on the above-named date, was declared passed at the last meeting. (See Minutes, pp. 430, 431.)

Reconsideration of order granting leave of absence to the assistant janitor of Sherwin School-house. [See pp. 430, 431.]

The motion to reconsider passed.

The question came on the passage of the order.

Lost.

Mr. Ernst moved that the action of the Board at its meeting of Oct. 13 (see Minutes, p. 374) approving the transfer of Joseph G. Scott from the position of janitor of the Sherwin School-house to the position of assistant janitor of the same building, to date from Aug. 1, 1903, be rescinded.

Rescinding of action transferring janitor of Sherwin School-house to assistant janitorship. [See p. 374.]

The motion to rescind passed.

Mr. Ernst moved a reconsideration of the vote to rescind, hoping the same would not prevail.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, it was

Use of municipal building on Blossom street in connection with West End Educational Centre.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to permit the School Committee to occupy the ward room in the new municipal building on Blossom street in connection with the West End Educational Centre, on evenings when its use is not required for municipal purposes.

Mr. Storrow offered the following:

Appointment of interpreters, West End Educational Centre. Rules suspended.

Ordered, That the Superintendent be authorized to appoint such number of interpreters as in his opinion may be needed for the work of the West End Educational Centre.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

In School Committee, December 8, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Brett, Burrill, Clark, Gallivan, and Paine.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Approval of appointments, confirmations and transfer laid over.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments, confirmations, and transfer of instructors, as presented at the last meeting.

On motion of Mr. Keough, the question was divided, and came on approving said appointments, confirmations, and transfer, with the exception of the appointment of Grace Crandon of Boston, as assistant, primary school, fourth year, in the Chapman District, to date from Nov. 25, 1903.

The appointments, confirmations, and transfer, with the foregoing exception, were approved.

On motion of Mr. Keough, the appointment of Grace Crandon was laid on the table.

The following orders successively took their second readings, and passed:

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows:

Add the following chapter:

Amendment of Rules; duties of Director of Physical Training. [See p. 468.]

Chapter X.

Duties of Directors.

Section 115. It shall be the duty of the Director of Physical Training to visit regularly all the schools of the city, and report to the Superintendent upon all matters relating to or affecting the health of pupils and teachers, such as the proper seating of the

pupils, the care of defective children, the proper ventilation and sanitation of school buildings, and generally all matters usually included in the term "school hygiene"; also to report all violations of the Rules and Regulations or of any order of the Board, and all acts or practices in the schools which affect, and which he may deem prejudicial to, the physical welfare of the pupils; he shall also have, under the direction of the Superintendent, the general supervision of physical training in all the schools. He shall make an annual report in writing to the Superintendent on or before March 1, and at such other times as the Superintendent may request.

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows:

Amendment of Section 37, paragraph 2, of Rules; appointment of janitors. [See p. 469.]

SECT. 37. Par. 2. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:

2. Shall, after an opportunity to be heard has been given the principal of the school or district affected and, subject to the approval of the Board, appoint, transfer, and discharge janitors, engineers, matrons, and other persons employed by the Board for the care and maintenance of the several school-houses; and, subject to the approval of the Board, make such regulations as they shall deem necessary for the government of such employees, and see that the same are enforced. These regulations shall be printed and distributed to the principals of schools and districts, and to the employees affected thereby. All appointments, transfers, and discharges of employees enumerated in this paragraph, when reported by the committee, shall lie over for two weeks before being acted upon by the Board.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows:

Amendment of Section 225 of Regulations. [See pp. 469, 470.]

SECT. 225. Insert after the word "read" in the first line, the words: — or distributed, — and insert after the word "sale" in the sixth line, the words: — or for any commercial purpose of any kind except such as pertains to the school service, — so that the section will read as follows:

SECT. 225. No advertisement shall be read or distributed to the pupils of any school on the premises thereof, or be posted on the walls or fences of any school building; and no agent or other person shall be permitted to enter any school premises for the purpose of exhibiting, either to teachers or pupils, any book or article offered for sale, or for any commercial purpose of any kind except such as pertains to the school service. No list of pupils shall be given by teachers to any person not an officer of the Board.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

Ordered, That the compensation of each of the interpreters whose employment in the Eliot Evening School was authorized at the meeting of Oct. 27, be established at the rate of two dollars ($2) for each evening of actual service for the term 1903–04.

Compensation of interpreters in Eliot Evening School. [See p. 465.]

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Roxbury Evening High School be established at the rate of forty-five dollars ($45) per month for the term 1903–04, and until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of Roxbury Evening High School. [See p. 465.]

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the South Boston Evening High School be established at the rate of forty-five dollars ($45) per month for the term 1903–04, and until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of South Boston Evening High School. [See p. 465.]

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the Marshall School-house be established at the rate of eleven hundred sixteen dollars ($1,116) per annum, to date from Sept. 15, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of Marshall School-house. [See p. 465.]

Ordered, That the salary of the janitor of the William E. Russell School-house be established at the rate of eighteen hundred thirty-six dollars ($1,836) per annum, to date from Oct. 15, 1903, until otherwise ordered.

Salary of janitor of William E. Russell School-house. [See p. 466.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Henry T. Allchin the sum of one and $\frac{25}{100}$ dollars ($1.25) for additional assistance employed by him while acting as temporary janitor of the Ticknor School-house during the month of October, 1903.

Payment to Henry T. Allchin. [See p. 466.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Alice Burke the sum of five dollars ($5) for services as assistant to the substitute janitor of the Adams School-house from Oct. 19 to Oct. 24, 1903, inclusive, and from Oct. 26 to Nov. 7, 1903, inclusive.

Payment to Alice Burke. [See p. 466.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Margaret Guild the sum of three and $\frac{80}{100}$ dollars ($3.80) for services as assistant to the substitute janitor of the Adams School-

Payment to Margaret Guild. [See p. 466.]

house from Oct. 20 to Oct. 24, 1903, inclusive, and from Oct. 26 to Nov. 7, 1903, inclusive.

Salaries of janitors of Educational Centres. [See p. 466.]

Ordered, That the salaries of janitors of Educational Centres be established for the term 1903–04 at the following rates per month: Twelve dollars ($12) for the first room, and two dollars ($2) for each additional room occupied.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Girls' High School. — Adeline L. Sylvester, assistant, Sept. 9, 1903.

Dudley District. — Margaret T. Dooley, assistant, Grammar School, Nov. 11, 1903.

Emerson District. — G. Caroline Penchard, assistant, Kindergarten, Oct. 1, 1903.

Lowell Educational Centre. — Edward P. Sherburne, principal, Dec. 23, 1903.

Permanent substitute. — Mary A. Mahoney, Nov. 25, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments and confirmations made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Comins District. — Lucy A. MacKenzie, Boston, Grammar School, from Oct. 29, 1903.

Dearborn District. — Mary A. Mahoney, Boston, Primary School, from Nov. 30, 1903.

Emerson District. — Anna J. Griffin, Boston, Primary School, from Nov. 12, 1903.

Hyde District. — Mary E. McCormick, Boston, Primary School, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Lyman District. — Alice D. Murley, Boston, Primary School, from Nov. 17, 1903.

Roger Wolcott District. — Margaret C. McCloskey, Boston, Grammar School, from Dec. 3. 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Adams District. — Ellen E. Melleney, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 30, 1903.

Lyman District. — M. Gertrude Godvin, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Nov. 30, 1903; Elizabeth A. Lyons, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Dec. 3, 1903.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Franklin District. — Mary M. Simpson, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 11, 1904.

Frothingham District. — Mary E. Cochran, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Dec. 1, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Delia Condron, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 11, 1904.

Manual Training Schools. — Richard Benson, Boston, assistant instructor, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Laid over, under the rule.

ON PROBATION.

On probation.

Dorchester High School. — Harold Bisbee, Boston, junior master, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Christopher Gibson District. — Catherine F. Byrne, Boston, first assistant, Grammar School, from Dec. 7, 1903.

Dudley District. — Edward F. O'Dowd, Boston, submaster, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Hyde District. — Miriam C. Gray, Cambridge, assistant, Kindergarten, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Subsequently, the Superintendent presented the following appointments:

Dorchester High School. — Henry W. B. Arnold, Boston, junior master, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Phillips Brooks District. — Edson L. Ford, Boston, sub-master, from Dec. 9, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmations.

Bigelow District. — Annie T. Burke, assistant, Grammar School; Emma J. Ross, assistant, Primary School.

Comins District. — Clara G. Dennis, principal, Kindergarten.

Hancock District — Mary B. Bartlett, principal, Kindergarten.

Mary Hemenway District. — Florence M. Robinson, assistant, Primary School.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Instructors, Evening Schools.

Charlestown High School. — Assistant (Physical Training) Julia A. Murphy, Boston, from Nov. 13, 1903.

Roxbury High School. — Assistants (Physical Training) Gordon Trowbridge, Boston, from Nov. 9, 1903; (Drawing) Edward R. Kingsbury, Boston, from Nov. 3, 1903.

Franklin School. — Assistant, Stella M. Coates, Boston, from Nov. 16, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leaves of absence.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the term specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:

Dudley District. — Winifred Ryder, Boston, substitute for Kate F. Crosby, assistant, Kindergarten, granted leave of absence.

Emerson District. — Ethel C. Brown, assistant, Primary School, from Dec. 1, 1903, until Apr. 1, 1904; Sarah B. McGlinn, Boston, substitute. Flora S. McLean, principal, Kindergarten, from Nov. 23, 1903, until Feb. 23, 1904; Winifred Ryder, Boston, substitute.

Franklin District. — Octavia L. Cram, assistant, Grammar School, from Dec. 1, 1903, until Apr. 1, 1904; Mary Nicolson, Boston, substitute.

Mather District. — J. Annie Bense, first assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 4, 1904, until Apr. 11, 1904; Alice G. Ropes, Boston, substitute.

Prince District. — E. Isabelle Bense, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 4, 1904, until Apr. 11, 1904; Rosalie C. Asprey, Woburn, substitute.

Shurtleff District. — Florence G. Frazer, assistant, Primary School, from Dec. 5, 1903, until Apr. 1, 1904.

The following appointment was accompanied by a written statement by the Superintendent of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto:

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Hugh O'Brien District. — Alice A. Doherty, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Nov. 16, 1903, to Nov. 25, 1903, inclusive. Temporary teachers.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointment, and the appointment placed on file. Rules suspended.

The following appointment made by the Superintendent, in pursuance of a special order passed by the Board, was accompanied by a written statement of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto:

EVENING SCHOOL.

Instructor, Evening School.

Hancock School. — Teacher of Sewing, Agnes E. McDonald, Boston, from Nov. 15, 1903.

Rules suspended.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointment, and the appointment laid over, under the rule.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified, on half-pay, and her resignation was accepted to take effect Dec. 7, 1904:

Christopher Gibson District. — Charlotte E. Andrews, first assistant, Grammar School, from Dec. 7, 1903, until Dec. 7, 1904.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRES.

Educational Centres.

The appointments of the candidates named below as principal, first assistants, and teachers in Educational Centres for the season of 1903–04, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, and orders passed by the Board, were presented for approval:

Lowell Educational Centre. — Joseph A. Reddy, Boston, principal, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Bigelow Educational Centre. — First assistants, Blanche A. Bemis, Boston, Helen A. Brick, Boston, Mary H. Brick, Boston, Robert E. Burke, Boston, Edward C. Emerson, Cambridge, Effie Harcourt, Boston, Charlotte A. Kendall, Boston, William G. S. McIntyre, Milton, Clark K. Peterson, Boston.

East Boston Educational Centre. — First assistants, William A. England, Winthrop, Frederick W. Swan, Boston, Nathaniel J. Young, Boston. Teacher, Mary C. Mitchell, Boston.

Hancock Educational Centre. — Teacher, Anna M. T. Sheehan, Boston.

Lowell Educational Centre. — Teacher, Joseph A. Reddy, Boston.

West End Educational Centre. — Teachers, Elizabeth A. Flynn, Boston, Helena Flynn, Somerville, Rose M. Griffith, Boston, Frank E. Hobart, Malden, Margaret E. McCarthy, Boston, Nellie J. McMorrow, Boston, Bridget A. Moore, Boston, Josephine A. Storey, Boston, Anna K. Vackert, Boston.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, the rules were suspended and the foregoing appointments in the East Boston Educational Centre were approved. Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Storrow the rules were suspended, and the appointment of Joseph A. Reddy as principal of the Lowell Educational Centre was approved by the following vote: Rules suspended.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Merritt, Mulvey, Pierce, Storrow and Vogel — 16. Yeas and nays.

Nays: None.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Brett, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, McDonald and Paine.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, the rules were suspended and the appointment of Joseph A. Reddy, as teacher in the Lowell Educational Centre, was approved. Rules suspended.

The remaining appointments were laid over, under the rule.

PERMANENT SUBSTITUTES.

The following list of substitutes to serve in the place of absent assistants in Grammar and Primary Schools, appointed by the Superintendent, in compliance with the terms of Section 146 of the Regulations, was presented for the approval of the Board: Permanent substitutes.

Alice A. Sanborn, Boston, from Nov. 25, 1903; Mary T. Lyons, Boston, from Nov. 30, 1903; Mary C. Sinnott, Boston, from Dec. 1, 1903; Elizabeth M. Forrest, Quincy, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Approved.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Minors' licenses.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the names of four minors to be licensed as newsboys.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

Report of Committee on Accounts; additional kindergarten Bennett District. [See p. 450.]

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — Nov. 10 — an order that an additional kindergarten be established in the Bennett District, reported that, owing to an insufficient constituency which they find upon investigation are living in the proposed location, they are of the opinion that the order ought not to pass, and so recommend.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Report of Committee on Accounts; Harrison H. Atwood's bill for plans for new Normal School-house. [See p. 424.]

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 27 — Harrison H. Atwood's bill of three thousand dollars ($3,000) for professional services in connection with the erection of a new Normal School, for which he was appointed architect in 1899, reported that, having been informed on good authority that Mr. Atwood has brought suit against the city, they are of the opinion that no action on the part of this Board is necessary, and they so recommend.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following:

Employment of additional junior master, Dorchester High School.

Ordered, That the employment of an additional junior-master in the Dorchester High School is hereby authorized, until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on School Houses, reported the following resignations and appointments:

Report of Committee on School Houses; resignations and appointments of janitors.

JANITORS.

Resignations.

Harbor View-street Portable No. 59 School-house. — Martha F. Hall, to date from Oct. 26, 1903.

Sherwin School-house. — Joseph G. Scott, to date from Aug. 1, 1903.

Accepted.

Appointments.

Chapman Portable No. 59 School-house. — James E. Burdakin, to date from Nov. 20, 1903.

Tuckerman School-house. — John B. Dooley, to date from Dec. 1, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, presented the following:

Report of Committee on School Houses; school accommodations.

The Committee on School Houses report that they have recently been requested by the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners to furnish further detailed information with regard to those items on the list of forty-two presented by said Commissioners to the School Committee at its meeting of Jan. 2, 1902, which have not yet received attention. After giving each of these items most careful consideration, and obtaining the opinion of the Superintendent, your committee respectfully submit the following list for adoption, and recommend that it be transmitted to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners for its information and guidance.

3. Roxbury. Lowell District. — A two-room addition to the Wyman Primary School-house. This instead of a six-room addition to the same building as originally recommended.

9. South End. Addition to the Girls' High School Site. — This addition to the site has been made. The extensive alterations and repairs recently made upon the building may be fairly regarded as a fulfilment of this item in its original form. It is therefore recommended that no further action under this item is necessary at the present time.

11. Charlestown. New High School. — This building should provide substantially the same kind and amount of accommodations as are provided for the East Boston High School. In plan it should preserve the common features of the new high school buildings in East Boston, South Boston, and Dorchester. The present lot has already been enlarged.

12. South Boston. Lincoln District. — The new primary school-house on the Tuckerman site should contain eight or ten rooms, according to the size of the lot, the larger number being preferred.

16. Back Bay. Prince District. — It is probable that the Training School, to be attached to the new Normal School on the Worthington-street site, will afford all needed relief to the Prince District. Therefore, this item, which calls for a grammar school-house southwest of Massachusetts avenue, can now be consolidated with item No. 22.

17. Phillips Brooks District. — A new primary building to contain eight rooms and situated in the lot of the Howard-avenue School-house. This instead of a six-room addition to the present building as originally recommended.

20. Normal School.

21. Girls' Latin School.

22. New District in the vicinity of the Normal School.

The urgency of these three items, which require no change in original form, is very great. A detailed statement of the accommodations needed in each of these three buildings will be duly furnished the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners by your committee at an early date.

24. Roxbury. Lewis District. — A primary school-house in the vicinity of Perrin street to contain twelve rooms.

25. Jamaica Plain. Agassiz District. — This item, which originally called for a grammar school-house north of Forest Hills Station, has been provided for by the addition to the Francis Parkman School-house. No further action, therefore, appears to be necessary at the present time.

28. Dorchester. Harvard-street District. — Primary School-house. It was intended that item No. 10, which specifies a large grammar school-house on the old Gibson School site, should care partially for this item, and it is now doubtful whether, on completion of this building and the retention of the old Gibson School-house on the same lot, this item (No. 28) will any longer be necessary. It is therefore recommended that no further action be taken with regard to it at the present time.

29. Dorchester. Edward Everett District. — This item originally called for a primary school-house in the vicinity of Savin Hill avenue. The requirements of this item would seem to be met by a two-room addition to the present building, or by the building of a new school-house containing two class-rooms.

31. Roxbury. Dillaway District. — A four-room addition to the present grammar school-house.

32. Roxbury. Dillaway District. — A four-room addition to the Bartlett-street School-house.

33. Roxbury. Dudley District. — A four-room addition to the present Dudley School-house.

40. Dudley District. — A four-room addition to the present William Bacon School-house.

In view of the great difficulties and unwarranted expense in building these four additions which have been pointed out by the Schoolhouse Commissioners, it is recommended that a new twelve-room mixed grammar and primary building be planned in such a way that four rooms may be added in the future, and that this building be placed upon a suitable lot of land to be obtained at once by the Commissioners for that purpose.

35. Dorchester. Roger Wolcott District. — Lauriat-avenue District. Primary School-house. This building to contain eight rooms.

39. West Roxbury. Robert G. Shaw District. — In the vicinity of Central Station. Primary School-house. This building to contain four rooms.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, laid on the table.

Report of Committee on Salaries; compensation of janitors Evening Schools or Educational Centres. [See pp. 433, 434.]

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was recommitted — Nov. 10. — an order establishing the compensation of janitors of buildings occupied by Evening Schools or Educational Centres, reported that upon further investigation of the matter they are satisfied that the proposed scale should not apply to high school-houses, but are of the opinion that, with slight modifications, it is just and reasonable so far as other buildings are concerned, and therefore recommend the passage of the appended order:

Ordered, That the compensation of janitors of buildings occupied by Evening Schools or Educational Centres, excepting high school-houses, for the term 1903–04 and until otherwise ordered, shall be at the rate of twenty dollars ($20) per month. In addition thereto they shall receive one and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($1.50) per month for each room occupied, — halls being reckoned as equivalent to three class-rooms. For buildings in

which the heating and ventilating apparatus includes an engine requiring the attendance of an engineer when in operation, the janitor shall receive the sum of fifteen dollars ($15) per month in addition to the foregoing amounts. These rates are based upon five sessions each week, and for a less number of sessions a proportionate deduction shall be made. For buildings in which only a manual training or cookery room or both are occupied for evening school purposes, the janitor shall receive the sum of one dollar ($1) for each evening of actual service.

Accepted, and the order laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Payment to Thomas Spriggs and to Howard Langford.

Ordered, That there be paid to Thomas Spriggs the sum of eight and $\frac{57}{100}$ dollars ($8.57), and to Howard Langford the sum of eleven and $\frac{43}{100}$ dollars ($11.43) for ten days' services respectively rendered by them as assistants to the substitute janitor of the Harvard, Washington Allston, Washington Allston Annex, and Washington Allston Evening School-houses, during the month of November.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Bolster, for the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books, offered the following:

Supplementary, reference and text books authorized.

Ordered, That the following-named books be authorized for use as supplementary books in the High and Latin Schools:

Manual of Experimental Physics, by Fred R. Nichols, Charles H. Smith and Charles M. Turton, published by Ginn & Co.

Qualitative Chemical Analysis, by Albert B. Prescott and Otis C. Johnson, published by D. Van Nostrand Company.

Essentials of Chemistry, by John C. Hessler and Albert L. Smith, published by Benjamin H. Sanborn & Co.

Ordered, That The Struggle for a Continent, edited by Pelham Edgar, now authorized for use as a reference book in the Grammar Schools, be transferred to the list of supplementary books in the Grammar Schools.

Ordered, That the following-named books be authorized for use as supplementary books in the Grammar Schools:

The Spanish in the Southwest, by Rosa V. Winterburn, published by the American Book Company.

A Boy on a Farm, by Jacob Abbot, edited by Clifton Johnson, published by the American Book Company.

Homeric Stories, by Frederic A. Hall, published by the American Book Company.

Ordered, That Reynard The Fox, adapted by E. Louise Smythe, published by the American Book Company, be authorized for use as a supplementary book in the Primary Schools.

Ordered, That the following-named books be authorixed for use as reference books in the High and Latin Schools:

An Elementary Book on Electricity and Magnetism, by Dugald C. Jackson and John P. Jackson, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be supplied each teacher of the subject.

Smithsonian Physical Tables, by Thomas Gray, published by Smithsonian Institution, one copy to be supplied each teacher of the subject.

Chemical Lecture Experiments, by G. S. Newth, published by Longmans, Green & Co., one copy to be supplied each teacher of the subject.

The Scientific Foundations of Analytical Chemistry, by Wilhelm Ostwald, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be supplied each teacher of the subject.

Chemical Lecture Experiments, by Francis G. Benedict, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be supplied each teacher of the subject.

Volcanoes of North America, by Israel C. Russell, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be supplied each school.

Rivers of North America, by Israel C. Russell, published by G. P. Putnam's Sons, one copy to be supplied each school.

Aspects of the Earth, by Nathaniel S. Shaler, published by Charles Scribner's Sons, one copy to be supplied each school.

Ordered, That the Realm of Nature, by Hugh R. Mill, published by Charles Scribner's Sons, be authorized for use as a reference book in the High Schools (already authorized for use as a reference book in the Grammar Schools), one copy to be supplied each school.

Ordered, That Daniel Webster for Young Americans, by Charles F. Richardson and Edwin P. Whipple, published by Little, Brown & Co., be authorized for use as a reference book in the Grammar and High Schools, one copy to be supplied each school.

Ordered, That The Teaching of Elementary Mathematics, by David E. Smith, published by The Macmillan Company, be authorized for use as a reference book in the Grammar Schools, one copy to be supplied each school.

Ordered, That the following-named books be authorized for use as reference books in the Grammar Schools for teachers of elementary science:

Corn Plants, by Frederick L. Sargent, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., one copy to be supplied each school.

First Lessons of Geology, by Nathaniel S. Shaler, published by D. C. Heath & Co., one copy to be supplied each school.

Insect Life, by John H. Comstock, published by D. Appleton & Co., one copy to be supplied each school.

Ordered, That The Comprehensive Method of Teaching Reading, Book I., by Emma K. Gordon, published by D. C. Heath & Co.; Gordon's Comprehensive Method of Reading, Phonic Chart, Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Six Equivalent Charts, and accompanying Letter Squares, all published by D. C. Heath & Co., be authorized for reference use in Grades I. and II., to be supplied each teacher in the first and second grades.

Ordered, That the Cecilian Series of Study and Song, Books III. and IV. (combined) now authorized for use as a supplementary book in the Grammar Schools, Grades VIII. and IX., be authorized for use as a text-book in the Grammar Schools, Grades VIII. and IX.

Ordered, That the following-named books be authorized for use as text-books in the High and Latin Schools:

Milton's Paradise Lost, Books I. and II., edited by William I. Crane, published by The Macmillan Company.

Milton's Comus, Lycidas, and other Poems, edited by Andrew J. George, published by The Macmillan Company.

Tennyson's Idylls of the King, edited by William T. Vlymen, published by The Macmillan Company.

On motion of Mr. Bolster, the reading of the aforesaid orders was dispensed with, and they were laid over, under the statute.

Mr. Bolster, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That three thousand copies of the course of study for the Mechanic Arts High School (School Document No. 2, 1897), as revised, be printed.

Mechanic Arts High School course of study printed.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on Manual Training, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to enlarge the Lewis Annex, so as to provide accommodations for a class in cookery.

Accommodations for cookery class, Lewis annex.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Report of Committee on Eighth Division; death of George W. M. Hall.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, reported the death of George W. M. Hall, late master of the Washington Allston District, which occurred Dec. 6, 1903.

Accepted.

Mr. Vogel, for the same committee, offered the following preamble and resolutions:

Resolutions on death of George W. M. Hall.

Whereas, This Board has received with deep regret the sad intelligence of the sudden death of George W. M. Hall, late master of the Washington Allston District; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board hereby expresses its appreciation of the long and valuable service given by Mr. Hall in the public school system of Boston. Independent in thought, firm in conviction, strong in administrative capacity, he wisely conducted the important interests committed to his charge, and withal performed many unobtrusive acts of kindness that, known to but few perhaps, will live in grateful memories for years to come. A striking feature of his administration was the loyal and unswerving support it received from those who were associated with him in the discharge of school duties, and one of his last official acts demonstrated his real kindliness of heart and readiness to extend his aid to those in need of encouragement and support in time of difficulty.

His interest in the welfare of his associates was not confined to district lines, and the success attending the formation and establishment by legislative action of the Public School Teachers' Retirement Fund is largely due to his unselfish and untiring interest and persistent effort.

Mr. Hall was born in Philadelphia, Penn., Apr. 29, 1836, and entered the Boston service as usher in the Mayhew School on Hawkins street in 1869. In 1875

he became master of the Brighton Harvard School (now the Washington-Allston) where he continued during the remainder of his life.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered in full upon the records of the Board, and that a copy thereof be transmitted to the family of the deceased, with the sympathy of the Board in this their hour of bereavement.

Adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Report of Committee on Normal School; admission of men to Normal School. [See p. 321.]

Mr. Ellis, for the Committee on the Normal School, to whom was referred — Sept. 8 — an order that the Committee on Legislative Matters be authorized and instructed to introduce and advocate the passage of a bill in the Legislature to authorize this Board to admit men to the Boston Normal School under such restrictions as it may deem advisable, reported that while your committee favor increasing the proportion of efficient male teachers in the grades, they believe that the admission of men to the Normal School is not, under present conditions, a method tending towards that result. The present lack of opportunity to acquire administrative experience and to rise in the service would repel desirable men from the school. The Normal School itself with its present curriculum is not adapted to attract or retain male teachers of the character and attainments desired, and can only be made so by thorough reconstruction at large outlay. Such reconstruction, extension of greater opportunity of growth and advancement to teachers, and adoption of effective methods of preventing inefficient men securing permanent positions in our teaching force are prerequisites to the plan suggested. Your committee therefore beg to report that under existing circumstances men ought not to be admitted to the Normal School, and to seek legislation to that end is at present premature.

From this report Mrs. Duff dissents.

On motion of Mrs. Duff, laid on the table.

Subsequently, on motion of the same member, the report was taken from the table.

Mrs. Duff offered the following minority report and order, and moved its substitution for the report of the committee:

Minority report Committee on Normal School; admission of men to Normal School.

The undersigned dissents from the report of the majority of the Committee on Normal School.

First. — Because this report discriminates against the sons of Boston citizens.

Second. — While advocating increasing the number of male teachers in the grades, it makes it impossible for any others than those who have taught or are now teaching outside of Boston to obtain these positions in the grades.

Third. — It condemns the Boston Normal School in the following words: "The Normal School is not adapted to attract or retain male pupils of the character and attainments desired," and yet this Boston Normal School is supposed to equal if not excel the State Normal Schools, all of which admit young men, and from which are graduated a large percentage of the present male teachers in the Boston public schools.

Fourth. — It takes no cognizance of the fact that a new Normal School is to be erected during the coming year, that a reorganization must of necessity take place, and that it is the duty of the Committee on Normal School to anticipate in every way conditions which may make that new Normal School the great central force of the educational system of Boston.

On this point we have the unanimous opinion of the Board of Supervisors, which reads as follows:

BOSTON, September 29, 1903.

To the Committee on Normal School:

The Board of Supervisors has carefully considered the request contained in the following communication from the Committee on Normal School, and herewith submits its reply:

IN COMMITTEE ON NORMAL SCHOOL,
BOSTON, September 22, 1903.

Voted, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to report to this committee their opinion, and, if any dissent, the majority and minority opinions, as to the advisability of the passage of a law admitting men to the Normal School, either for the regular or for a post graduate, or pedagogical special course, with their views as to the need or demand for men instructors in the Grammar or High and Latin Schools, and if the Normal School should be opened, what restrictions, if any, should be imposed. The committee hopes that your board may be able to report to them within two weeks, as the time is short in which a petition can be presented to Massachusetts Legislature and considered.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

Were the question a hypothetical one, the Board would reply that it knows of no reason why the city might not provide pedagogical instruction and training for men as well as for women in preparation for teaching in its own schools. If the city were about to establish a Normal School, the school might be of such a grade, and so organized that men could be prepared for the Boston service.

Now we are about to establish a new Normal School; therefore we should make it possible to admit young men; again, the admission of young men to all of our State Normal Schools, and the fact that these young men are eagerly sought to fill positions even in our Boston schools, should influence us in making an effort to obtain from the Legislature at least the same privilege for the new Boston Normal School, an educational institution than which none in the country should be superior.

Therefore, the passage of the following order is recommended:

Ordered, That the Committee on Legislative Matters are hereby authorized and instructed to introduce and advocate the passage of a bill in the Legislature to

authorize this Board to admit men to the Boston Normal School under such restrictions as it may deem advisable.

On motion of Mrs. Duff, the yeas and nays were ordered on her motion to substitute.

Mrs. Duff's motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, and Vogel — 11.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Pierce, and Storrow — 8.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Brett, Burrill, Clark, Gallivan, and Paine.

The minority report was accepted, and the order appended thereto passed.

Subsequently, Mr. Harkins moved a reconsideration of the foregoing vote hoping the same would not prevail.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Casey, it was

Site for new Normal School-house.

Ordered, That the vote of this Board of June 23, 1903, to the effect that the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be informed that this Board hereby designates the Martin School District as the district within which the new Normal School shall be built, be rescinded.

Passed.

Report of Committee on Extended Use of School Buildings on Educational Centres and Vacation Schools.

Mr. Storrow, for the Committee on the Extended Use of School Buildings presented a report of that committee on Educational Centres and Vacation Schools, in print (School Document No. 9, 1903).

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, it was

Expenses of Schoolhouse Commissioners.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legislative Matters is requested to prepare and report to the Board such bill as may be necessary to provide that the expenses

of the Schoolhouse Commissioners shall be paid out of the funds applicable to the construction and repair of buildings, instead of as now out of the funds applicable to teachers' salaries and other current expenses of the schools.

On motion of Mr. Pierce, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, December 22, 1903.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Paine and Storrow.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments and confirmations of instructors as presented at the last meeting.

Approval of appointments and confirmations of instructors laid over.

The appointments and confirmations were approved.

On motion of Mr. Harkins, the foregoing vote was reconsidered.

On motion of same member, the question was divided, and came on approving the aforesaid appointments and confirmations with the exception of the appointments of first assistants in the Bigelow Educational Centre.

The appointments and confirmations with the foregoing exceptions were appoved.

Mr. Harkins moved that the aforesaid appointments of first assistants in the Bigelow Educational Centre be laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, the yeas and nays were ordered.

Mr. Harkins motion to lay on the table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Merritt, and Mulvey — 7.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Kenny, Keough, and Pierce — 11.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Brett, Keenan, McDonald, Paine, Storrow, and Vogel.

The appointments were thereupon approved.

Approval of appointment of janitors laid over.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments of janitors, as presented at the last meeting.

The appointments were approved.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Compensation of janitors Evening Schools or Educational Centres. [See pp. 485, 486.]

Ordered, That the compensation of janitors of buildings occupied by Evening Schools or Educational Centres, excepting high school-houses, for the term 1903–04, and until otherwise ordered, shall be at the rate of twenty dollars ($20) per month. In addition thereto they shall receive one and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars ($1.50) per month for each room occupied, halls being reckoned as equivalent to three class-rooms. For buildings in which the heating and ventilating apparatus includes an engine requiring the attendance of an engineer when in operation, the janitor shall receive the sum of fifteen dollars ($15) per month in addition to the foregoing amounts. These rates are based upon five sessions each week, and for a less number of sessions a proportionate deduction shall be made. For buildings in which only a manual training or cookery room, or both, are occupied for evening school purposes the janitor shall receive the sum of one dollar ($1) for each evening of actual service.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, laid on the table.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Payment to Thomas Spriggs and to Howard Langford. [See p. 486.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Thomas Spriggs the sum of eight and $\frac{57}{100}$ dollars ($8.57) and to Howard Langford the sum of eleven and $\frac{43}{100}$ dollars ($11.43) for ten days' services respectively rendered by them as

assistants to the substitute janitor of the Harvard, Washington Allston, Washington Allston Annex and Washington Allston Evening School-houses during the month of November.

Passed.

The orders offered by the Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books, and laid over under the statute at the last meeting (see Minutes, pages 486–489), were read.

Supplementary reference, and text-books authorized. [See pp. 486-489.]

The aforesaid orders passed, by a vote of 21 to 0.

The following order, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, was read:

Ordered, That 3,000 copies of the course of study for the Mechanic Arts High School (School Document No. 2, 1897), as revised, be printed.

Mechanic Arts High School course of study printed. [See p. 489.]

Passed.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Bennett District. — Margaret I. Scollans, assistant, Primary School, Dec. 1, 1903.

Dudley District. — Kate F. Crosby, assistant, Kindergarten, Dec. 23, 1903.

Lawrence District. — Maud F. Crosby, assistant, Primary School, Sept. 9, 1903.

Lyman District — Marion R. Fenno, assistant, Primary School, Dec. 1, 1903.

Thomas N. Hart District. — S. Louella Sweeney, assistant, Primary School, Sept. 9, 1903.

Washington Allston District. — Margaret C. Hunt, assistant, Grammar School, Jan. 1, 1904.

Accepted.

The following appointments and confirmations made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Special assistants.

Christopher Gibson District. — Josephine F. Sullivan, Boston, Grammar School, from Dec. 11, 1903.

Lincoln District. — B. Ethel Burton, Boston, Grammar School, from Dec. 11, to Dec. 17, 1903, inclusive; Minnie B. Conant, Boston, Grammar School, from Dec. 10, 1903; Mabel L. Crowell, Boston, Grammar School, from Dec. 18, 1903.

Prince District. — May H. Sears, Boston, Grammar School, from Dec. 14, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Norcross District. — Roxana L. Johnston, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Dec. 14, 1903.

Phillips Brooks District. — Thomas J. Sheahan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Dec. 21, 1903.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Normal School. — Nellie I. Simpson, Boston, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Laid over, under the rule.

PRINCIPAL.

Principal of a district.

Washington Allston District. — William C. Crawford, Boston, Master, from Dec. 7, 1903.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the rules were suspended to permit immediate action on the foregoing appointment.

The appointment was approved by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Kenny, McDonald, Merritt, Mulvey, Pierce, and Vogel — 20.

Nays: None.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Keenan, Keough, Paine, and Storrow.

ON PROBATION.

Mechanic Arts High School. — Mary A. Harriman, Framingham, assistant instructor, from Dec. 16, 1903. On probation.

Dillaway District. — Lena Lee, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Dudley District. — Mabelle L. Boyer, Cambridge, assistant, Kindergarten, from Dec. 23, 1903.

Martin District. — Alicia F. McDonald, Boston, first assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Washington Allston District. — Florence M. Homer, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 4, 1904.

William E. Russell District. — Mabel F. Kemp, Brookline, principal, Kindergarten, from Jan. 4, 1904; Freda Salfisberg, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Laid over, under the rule.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Normal School. — Caroline D. Aborn, Mary C. Shute, assistants as teachers of the theory and practice of the kindergarten. Confirmations.

Bigelow District. — Annie G. Casey, assistant, Primary School.

Lincoln District. — Mary H. Atkins, assistant, Grammar School.

Longfellow District. — Theresa D. Lewis, assistant, Grammar School,

Phillips District. — Adeline M. Murphy, assistant, Grammar School.

Thomas N. Hart District. — Alice M. Desmond, assistant, Primary School.

Winthrop District. — Mary A. Murphy, first assistant, Grammar School; Winifred E. McKay, assistant, Grammar School.

Manual Training Schools. — Lillian M. Beckwith, Josephine May, assistant instructors.

Laid over, under the rule.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Instructors, Evening Schools.

Charlestown High School. — Assistants (Physical Training), Isaiah G. De Cost, Cambridge, Theresa E. Leen, Boston, from Nov. 13, 1903.

Eliot School. — Assistants, Helen M. Horton, Boston, from Dec. 1, 1903; Fannie W. Weeks, Boston, from Dec. 8, 1903; Mary F. Power, Hopkinton, Martha E. Tracy, Boston, from Dec. 14, 1903.

Lyman School. — Interpreters, Lazarus S. Silverman, Boston, Samuel Thurman, Boston, from Dec. 1, 1903.

Wells School. — Interpreter, Esther K. Casson, Boston, from Nov. 16, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the board:

Adams District. — Ellen M. Robbins, first assistant, Primary School, from Dec. 1, 1903, until Jan. 1, 1904; Anna E. Keaney, Boston, substitute.

Dearborn District. — Lizzie M. Hersey, assistant, Grammar School, from Dec. 10, 1903, until Mar. 10, 1904; Mary M. Gallivan, Holbrook, substitute.

Dillaway District. — Helen C. Mills, first assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 1, 1904, until Apr. 1, 1904; Abby M. Clark, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 1, 1904, until May 1, 1904; Katherine Keenan, Boston, substitute.

Lawrence District. — M. Louise Gillett, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 9, 1904, until May 9, 1904.

Norcross District. — Fannie W. Hussey, assistant, Primary School, from Dec. 14, 1903, until Jan. 11, 1904; Annie M. Stickney, Boston, substitute.

Warren District. — Mary E. McCormack, Boston, substitute for Ellen A. Pratt, assistant, Grammar School, granted leave of absence.

Washington Allston District. — Jessie W. Kelly, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 1, 1904, until May 1, 1904.

Manual Training Schools. — Louise H. Billings, assistant instructor, from Jan. 1, 1904, until Apr. 2, 1904.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRES.

Educational Centres.

Subsequently, the appointments of the candidates named below for the season of 1903–04, certified as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations and orders passed by the Board, were presented for approval:

East Boston Educational Centre. — Teachers, Agnes L. Keenan, Boston, Alice A. Merrick, Boston.

Lowell Educational Centre. — Teacher, Annie L. Killion, Boston.

West End Educational Centre. — First assistant, Joshua Q. Litchfield, Quincy; Teachers, Henriette Goldstein, Boston, Nathaniel D. Henchman, Boston, Katherine R. McGail, Boston, Margaret J. McNulty, Boston. Interpreters, Philip Castleman, Boston, Abraham Leventhall, Chelsea, Margaret A. Long, Somerville, James P. Oppenheim, Cambridge, Isaac D. Robbins, Boston, Bessie Rich, Boston.

Laid over, under the rule.

MINORS' LICENSE.

Minors' license.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the Regulations, submitted the name of one minor to be licensed as a pedler of small wares.

Issue of license authorized accordingly.

Mr. Pierce, for the Committee on Accounts, presented the following statement:

Report of Committee on Accounts; expenditures and appropriations.

OFFICE OF ACCOUNTS,
MASON STREET, BOSTON, December 22, 1903.

The Committee on Accounts present herewith, by items, the following statement, showing the appropriation and the expenditures (exclusive of repairs and new school-houses) for the financial year 1903–1904:

	Appropriation.	Expenditures.	Balance Unexpended.
Salaries of Instructors..	$2,546,000	$2,529,177 79	$16,822 21
Salaries of Officers.....	82,581	82,342 82	238 18
Salaries of Janitors.....	198,000	196,917 44	1,082 56
Fuel and Light.....	216,000	214,663 37	1,336 63
Supplies and Incidentals.	190,500	167,064 14	23,435 86
Totals	$3,233,081	$3,190,165 56	$42,915 44

As compared with last year:

Salaries of Instructors increased	$102,327 34
" " Janitors "	6,410 51
" " Officers "	1,515 61
Fuel and Light "	118,268 76
	$228,522 22
Supplies and Incidentals decreased . . .	36,149 10
Increase for the year	$192,373 12

Placed on file.

Mr. Pierce, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salary due Margaret A. Gleason.

Ordered, That the salary due Margaret A. Gleason, deceased, late assistant, Grammar School, in the Lawrence District, for the month of September, be paid to her sister, Mrs. Helen T. Donnell.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following:

Ordered, That a special teacher of household science and arts be allowed in the Dorchester High School to date from Jan. 4, 1904.

Special teacher of household science and arts, Dorchester High School.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Vogel, for the Committee on Manual Training, offered the following:

Ordered, That the employment of an instructor in the schools of cookery on three-fifths time, with proportionate compensation, be authorized.

Employment of instructor of cookery on three-fifths time.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Vogel, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That this Board recommends to the next School Board that it consider the expediency of continuing the instruction in clay modeling that is now being given in the Rice School, and provide a sufficient sum for the purpose in the annual appropriation order.

Continuance of instruction in clay modeling.

Mr. Brett, for the Committee on Evening Schools, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools are hereby authorized to employ a laboratory assistant in the Charlestown Evening High School during the term 1903–04.

Employment of laboratory assistant, Charlestown Evening High School.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Superintendent be authorized to appoint such number of interpreters as, in his opinion, may be needed for the work of the Evening Schools and the Educational Centres.

Interpreters in Evening Schools and Educational Centres authorized.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Brett, for the same committee, presented the report of that committee on Free Public Lectures, in print (School Document No. 13, 1903).

Report of Committee on Evening Schools on free public lectures.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; more executive responsibility to sub-masters; certificating of Normal graduates. [See p. 449.]

Mr. Ernst, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom were referred — Nov. 10 — orders proposing that more executive responsibility be given to sub-masters, and that Normal School graduates should be certificated only after successful teaching experience, reported that the committee feel that the opinion of the Board of Supervisors ought to be obtained on these matters. They therefore referred the same to that Board, but have not yet received their reply. Your committee therefore recommend that, awaiting the reply of the Supervisors, the matter be referred to the next School Board.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; age limit for retirement of instructors. [See p. 252.]

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, to whom was referred — June 9 — an order as to the advisability of establishing an age limit for the retirement of instructors, and as to the matter of pensions connected therewith, reported that in their opinion the question of age alone ought not to be decisive of the retirement of a teacher, many of our most valuable teachers now in the service having already passed the age at which such limit would probably be placed. Moreover, they think that any question of compulsory retirement should be considered only in connection with some pension system, and as the law does not permit the giving of pensions, they feel that no action should be taken in the matter, and so recommend.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations, concerning non-resident instructors. [See pp. 250–251.]

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, to whom was referred — June 9 — a proposed amendment to the Rules concerning non-resident instructors, reported as follows: This matter was carefully considered by this committee last year, and an adverse report made, which was printed on page 412 of the Minutes of 1902, to which report the careful attention of the Board is called. Your

committee see no reason for changing the opinions therein expressed. They therefore report that it is inexpedient to adopt the proposed amendment.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the original order offered by him, viz.:

Ordered, That the Rules be amended so as to provide as follows: Every person not a resident of the City of Boston hereafter appointed as an instructor in the public schools, shall, within two months from the date of such appointment, acquire a domicile in said city; and every resident of the city hereafter so appointed, and every person not a resident when appointed, after acquiring a domicile as above provided, shall continue to have a domicile in said city during employment as such instructor.

and the foregoing report thereon, were referred to the next School Board.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; credit allowed sub-masters for previous service. [See p. 231.]

Mr. Ernst, for the same committe, to whom was referred — June 9 — a communication and order concerning credit to be allowed sub-masters for previous service, reported that they have obtained the opinion of the Committee on Salaries upon the financial side of the question, and that committee are of the opinion that the rule is unwise in the present financial condition of the Board. It is therefore recommended that no further action be taken thereon.

On motion of Mr. Brett, referred to the next School Board.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; Committee on School Houses to approve payments to janitors. [See p. 195.]

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, to whom was referred — May 12 — an order requesting them to report such amendment to the Rules, or such order, as may be necessary to authorize the payment, subject to the approval of the Committee on School Houses and without reference to this Board for a special order, of all acting, substitute or temporary janitors, for services or for work performed, in accordance with the general rates of compensation fixed by the Committee on Salaries, reported that they have considered this

matter, and recommend that no further action is necessary at the present time.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Mr. Ernst, for the same committee, presented the following:

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations on orders relating to changes in sub-committees. [See pp. 319, 391, 450.]

The Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom were referred — Sept. 8, Oct. 13, and Nov. 10 — several orders relating to changes in sub-committees of the Board, and to the uniting of the Committees on Evening Schools and Extended Use of School Buildings, and designating their functions, beg leave to report as follows:

There are at the present time too many committees. Each member of the Board is assigned to from four to six committees (including division committees), and if these committees are important enough to exist, he has more work than he can possibly attend to. Moreover, membership on several important committees frequently results in a conflict of engagements, so that it is at times difficult to secure quorums, and much valuable time is wasted in waiting for absent members.

The School Board should as far as possible confine itself to work legislative in character, leaving the details of executive work to trained officials. Sub-committees and members thereof should exercise as few executive functions as possible. Their duty should be not the doing of things, but the consideration of subjects within their jurisdiction for the purpose of advising the School Board as to its own action. This is in the direct line of the latest and most approved educational thought, and is in the line of practical action already taken by the School Board in many directions. Thus we have the following expert executives:

The Superintendent.
Six Supervisors.
Director of Drawing.
" " Music.
" " Kindergartens.
" " Vacation Schools.
" " Physical Training.
Principal of Carpentry.
" " Cookery.
Instructor of Military Drill.
Chief Truant Officer.

The aggregate salary paid these officials amounts to very nearly $50,000. If they are worthy of their positions, and entitled to any such compensation, they ought to be not only allowed, but required to do the work for which they are paid.

Certainly it is not economy for the School Board to pay these officials, and then to undertake personally to do their work. It is simply impossible for members of the School Board effectively to do the work. Each year the membership of the Board changes, sometimes radically. However competent a member of the Board may be, he has this disadvantage—he is liable at any time to leave the Board. His successor cannot possibly at once take up the work where he left it, and the school service suffers in efficiency while the new man is learning. All this is obviated where executive work is left to officials who, like the directors, are on tenure, and can carry on the work systematically without interruption, always, of course, subject to any change of policy by vote of the School Board.

The work of the School Board may be divided as follows:

1. Establishment of its own Rules and Regulations.
2. Educational Work.
3. Finances.
4. Superintendence of Property.

There are therefore primarily but four committees needed, viz.:

1. Rules and Regulations.
2. Education.
3. Finance.
4. School Houses.

When a new subject is under consideration, and while in its experimental stage, as, for example, Educational Centres, or any school extension, a committee to supervise the same might be established, but as soon as it becomes an accepted part of the school work, the committee should be abolished, and this, like other branches, should be carried out by the Superintendent and appropriate director. A good example is in the case of Kindergartens, which originally had, but now have not, a special committee in charge. At present there is no more reason for a committee on music, or manual training, drawing, or hygiene, than for a committee on arithmetic, or geography, or Latin, or French. As there is a Chief Truant Officer, there is no reason for a Committee on Truant Officers. The Chief and his men should be under the control of the Superintendent.

The Committee on Courses of Study and Text Books might well be a Committee on Education, and have general supervision as the eyes and ears of the Board, and solely for the purpose of advising the Board on all educational matters.

The Committee on School Houses should have its present duties, but should confine itself to those duties. It should be the eyes and ears of the Board on the physical side of the schools. It should not attempt to pass upon petty details of

repairs, etc., and should not, as a body independent of the School Board, advise the Schoolhouse Department in the conduct of its affairs. The law throws the responsibility upon the Schoolhouse Department, and the Committee on School Houses ought not to attempt to share that responsibility. The committee should only consider such matters as the Board must pass upon, and only for the purpose of advising the Board.

The Committees on Accounts, Supplies, and Salaries might well enough be consolidated into a Committee on Finance, but this is only if one wishes to be absolutely logical. Moreover, such consolidation would necessarily involve the appointment of an executive on the business side, with large powers corresponding to the Superintendent on the educational side, and this, however desirable, does not seem feasible at present.

The Committees on Evening Schools and Extended Use of School Buildings should be consolidated into a Committee on School Extension, to have charge of Evening Schools, Evening Lectures, Educational Centres, Vacation Schools, and all matters involving the extended use of school buildings.

If it be said that these consolidations would throw too much work upon the new committees, the answer is, not if the members refrain from interfering in petty detail work, and confine themselves entirely to the consideration of the broader questions of education and school policy.

It would probably be unwise to reduce the number of committees to its lowest logical terms. It is suggested, however, that we might well reduce the number of committees to the following:

Accounts.
Education.
High and Normal Schools.
Horace Mann School.
Legislative Matters
Rules and Regulations.
Salaries.
Names of Buildings.
School Extension (to include Evening Schools, Evening Lectures, Educational Centres, Vacation Schools, and all extended uses of school buildings).
School Houses.
Supplies.

Some of these could be eliminated without detriment. This committee thinks, however, that it would be unwise for the present School Board to legislate for its successor. It is therefore recommended that this report, the result of several years of observation of the existing system, be referred to the next School Board for consideration.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

On motion of Mr. McDonald, for the Committee on the Annual Report, it was

Ordered, That twenty-five hundred copies of the annual report of the School Committee for the year 1903 be printed.

Edition of annual report of School Committee.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses, reported the following appointment:

JANITOR.

Report of Committee on School Houses; appointment of a janitor.

Christopher Gibson Portable No. 5 School-house. — Winthrop B. Robinson, to date from Dec. 10, 1903.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, offered the following:

Transfer of an appropriation.

Ordered, That of the amounts awarded by the Board of Street Commissioners for the taking of a part of the Ticknor School-house lot, the John A. Andrew School-house lot on Dorchester street, and the Longfellow School-house lot on Walter street, there be transferred to the appropriation for School-houses, the sum of fourteen thousand sixty-eight and $\frac{40}{100}$ dollars ($14,068.40) the same to be expended as follows:

For construction work performed on the Roger Wolcott School building and yard, for construction work to be performed on the John A. Andrew School building and yard, and on the Longfellow School building and yard	$3,000 00
For providing additional class-room accommodations in the Plummer School-house	3,500 00
For grading the grounds of the Dorchester High School,	7,568 40

Laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on School Houses; reimbursement of janitors for expenses incurred in cleaning woodwork, etc. [See p. 448.]

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Nov. 10 — an order that janitors who have expended money in accordance with instructions of the Schoolhouse Custodian's circular, No. 7, 1903, with reference to cleaning painted and varnished woodwork, etc., be reimbursed for such expenditure, reported that

after investigation of the matter it appears to them that janitors in complying with instructions contained in said circular have done no more than their duty; furthermore, of the numerous janitors in the service who have faithfully performed the work required, but one has appeared before your committee to request reimbursement for expenditures made in this connection. After deliberate and careful consideration of the matter, your committee are of the opinion that the order ought not to pass, and so recommend.

On motion of Mr. McDonald, the previous question was ordered.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, the yeas and nays were ordered on accepting and adopting the foregoing report.

The report was accepted, and its recommendations adopted by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Kenny, Keough, Pierce, and Vogel — 13.

Nays: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, McDonald, Merritt, and Mulvey — 9.

Absent: Messrs. Paine and Storrow.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, presented the following:

Report of Committee on School Houses; expenditures needed for school accommodations. [See p. 422.]

The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred — Oct. 27 — an order requesting the Schoolhouse Commissioners to report to this Board what amounts will be needed, first, in addition to the $1,500,000 loan that may be authorized next year, to complete, as now planned, the remaining items on the list of Dec. 18, 1901; second, to make such alterations and improvements on existing buildings as they deem necessary; and third, to supply by Sept. 1, 1906, such additional rooms and facilities as will then be required for housing all school children, allowing for annual increases estimated on the average of the last half dozen years, report that they have received the following statement, under date of Dec. 21, from said Board, in response to the order referred:

In reply to your vote of Nov. 2, 1903, the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners beg to report that the balance of the appropria-

tion for 1903 will take care of item 10 — New District on the old Gibson School site, large grammar school-house; items 13 and 14, South Boston, New District, grammar school-house in the vicinity of City Point; item 30, Washington Allston District, present Brentwood-street site, grammar school-house; and item 37, South Boston, John A. Andrew District — replace present Ticknor School-house with a new primary school-house.

The amount that may be appropriated for 1904 is $1,500,000, and below is a list giving the remaining items, by which you will see that $1,414,300, in addition to the $1,500,000 loan that may be authorized next year, is needed "to complete, as now planned, the remaining items on the list of December 18, 1901." This answers your first inquiry.

1904 — Appropriation		$1,500,000
Item 3.	Roxbury. Lowell District. — A two room addition to the present Wyman Primary School-house	18,000
Item 9.	South End. — Addition to Girls' High School site. (Land taken) . . .	60,000
Item 11.	Charlestown. — New High School. Present lot to be enlarged (Land taken.) . .	250,000
Item 12.	South Boston. Lincoln District. — Tuckerman site, corner L and Fourth streets, new primary school-house . . .	80,000
Item 16.	Back Bay. Prince District. — Southwest of Massachusetts avenue, grammar school-house. (Cared for by item 22.)	
Item 17.	Phillips Brooks District. A primary school-house to contain eight rooms. (Land and building)	90,000
Item 19.	Mechanic Arts High School-house to be enlarged. (Land taken) . . .	410,000
Items 20, 21, and 22.	Normal school, a Girls' Latin school, and a grammar and primary school to be used as a training school for the Normal	703,500
Item 23.	Roxbury. Hugh O'Brien District. — East of the present George-street School-house, primary school-house. (Land taken)	120,000
Item 24.	Roxbury. Lewis District. — In the vicinity of Perrin street, primary school-house	135,000
Carried forward		$1,866,500

Brought forward		$1,866,500
Item 25.	Jamaica Plain, Agassiz District. — South of Forest Hills station, grammar school-house. (Taken care of by addition to Francis Parkman School.)	
Item 27.	Henry L. Pierce District. — In the vicinity of Bailey street, primary school-house .	90,000
Item 28.	Dorchester. Harvard-street District. — Primary school-house. (Taken care of by retaining the old Gibson School and relocating on the lot.)	
Item 29.	Dorchester. Edward Everett District. — In the vicinity of Savin Hill avenue, a primary school-house	10,000
Items 31, 32, 33, and 40.	Roxbury. Dillaway District. — A four-room addition to the present grammar school-house. Roxbury. Dillaway District. — A four-room addition to the Bartlett-street School-house. Dudley District. — A four-room addition to the present Dudley School-house. Dudley District. — A four-room addition to the present William Bacon School-house. (Replaced by a new grammar building.)	160,000
Item 34.	Roslindale. Longfellow District. — New primary school-house. (Taken care of by Francis Parkman, addition.)	
Item 35.	Dorchester. Roger Wolcott District. — Lauriat-ave. District, primary school-house	80,000
Item 36.	Roxbury. Dearborn District. — Replace present Dearborn School-house with a new grammar school-house . . .	200,000
Item 38.	East Boston. Lyman District. — Replace present Webb School-house with new primary school-house	140,000
Item 39.	West Roxbury. Robert G. Shaw District. — In the vicinity of Central Station, primary school-house	41,000
Sanitation in summer of 1904, old buildings . .		75,000
Fire exits, 1904, old buildings		25,000
Furniture required in 1904		51,000
Heating and ventilating, 1904, in old buildings . .		75,000
To this must be added to complete the furniture required for the 42 items		100,800
Carried forward		$2,914,300

Brought forward	$2,914,300
NOTE. — In case a primary school-house to contain ten rooms be found necessary to meet the requirements of item 28 in the foregoing list, add the sum of . . .	90,000
Total	$3,004,300

Making a balance of $1,504,300 necessary to complete the work as planned.

Second. — The alterations we deem necessary would include:

1. Completing buildings turned over to this department in an incomplete or imperfect condition	$40,000
2. To put in good sanitary condition the plumbing of 41 old buildings	240,000
3. To put in good sanitary condition the heating and ventilation of old buildings, is a sum that it would be impossible for us to estimate at present with any accuracy, possibly	150,000
	$430,000

Third. — To attempt to give the cost of supplying by September 1, 1906, such additional facilities as will then be required for housing all school children would be impossible without a detailed report from the Superintendent, indicating in what districts growth may be expected, and the amount of accommodation necessary in each, nor would such a report give a true basis for estimating cost. The recent reports show both increase and decrease in school districts.

No average of any value for particular districts, and no figures are of value unless based on individual localities. The report of December, 1901, was such an attempt. The amount asked for was wholly inadequate; largely so because each item when reported for execution exceeded in accommodation what was originally contemplated. Under these circumstances the Board consider that the report asked for would be of no service in any way commensurable with the labor involved in performing it.

Accepted.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Payment to Edward A. Moore.

Ordered, That there be paid to Edward A. Moore the sum of six dollars ($6) for services as substitute janitor of the Washington Allston Evening School from Nov. 18 to Nov. 27, 1903, inclusive.

Laid over, under the rule.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Additional copies, schedule of salaries for janitors, printed.

Ordered, That four hundred additional copies of the Report of the Committee on Salaries; Schedule of Salaries for Janitors (School Document No. 11, 1903), be printed.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Expenditures in connection with report on schedule of salaries for janitors.

Ordered, That the Committee on Salaries are hereby authorized to expend an amount not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100) in connection with the preparation of their report upon a schedule of salaries for janitors.

Laid over, under the rule.

Report of Committee on Salaries on schedule of salaries for janitors.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, presented a report containing a proposed schedule of salaries for janitors of Grammar and Primary School-houses (School Document No. 11, 1903).

Appended to the report were the following orders:

1. *Ordered*, That the salaries of the janitors of the several buildings owned and occupied by the city for school purposes, excepting the High School-houses, the Chapman and the Horace Mann School-houses, be established in accordance with the foregoing schedule, to date from January 1, 1904, and to continue until otherwise ordered; and that the areas used in the determination of such salaries shall be such as shall have been respectively certified by the Schoolhouse Custodian and approved by the Committee on Salaries.

2. *Ordered*, That the compensation for the janitor service of a single building shall be arrived at in the following manner: The several amounts determined by applying the five factors of the acccompanying schedule to the areas of the building, windows, yards, sidewalks, and lawns, shall be added together, and the nearest multiple of twelve to such sum shall be the annual compensation for janitor service.

3. *Ordered*, That the compensation for the janitor service of buildings containing not more than one class-room, and not in charge of the janitor of a larger school building, shall be at the rate of one hundred and twenty dollars ($120) per year.

4. *Ordered*, That the compensation for the janitor service of buildings containing not more than one class-room, when in charge of the janitor of a larger building, shall be at the rate of seventy-two dollars ($72) per year.

5. *Ordered*, That the compensation for the janitor service of buildings containing not more than two class-rooms, when in charge of the janitor of a larger building, shall be at the rate of one hundred and sixty-eight dollars ($168) per year.

6. *Ordered*, That the compensation for *Cleaning, Heating, Ventilation and Superintendence* service of a building containing not less than two class-rooms, and not in charge of the janitor of another building, shall in no case be less than three hundred dollars ($300) per annum.

7. *Ordered*, That the compensation for janitor service of two or more buildings, each containing three or more class-rooms, and in charge of the same janitor, shall be as per schedule for the first and largest building, and for each additional building at the rate of eighty per centum (80%) of schedule rate.

8. *Ordered*, That the salaries of the janitors of the Chapman and Horace Mann School-houses shall be established in accordance with the foregoing schedule from and after the date upon which each of said buildings shall be under the responsible charge for its entire janitor service of one individual.

9. *Ordered*, That the Committee on School Houses are hereby instructed to recommend such promotions or transfers of janitors, assistant janitors, and engineers as will result, at as early a date as possible, without causing injustice to the persons affected, and without detriment to the service, in no building (excepting the Mechanic Arts High School-house) being under the responsible charge for its entire janitor service of more than one individual; provided, however, that all such promotions and transfers shall take effect not later than January 1, 1905.

The report and orders were laid over to the next meeting.

Report of Committee on Italian officer; employment of Italian-speaking truant officer. [See p. 269.]

Mr. Mulvey, for the Committee on Truant Officers, to whom was referred — June 9 — a petition from R. Brindisi *et als.* for the appointment of a truant officer who possesses a knowledge of the Italian language and the customs of the Italian people, reported that they have granted a hearing to the petitioners, and have carefully considered the arguments presented for consideration. Your committee are of the opinion, however, that it is not expedient to add to the truant officer

force at the present time, and therefore recommend that the petitioners be given leave to withdraw.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

Amendments to report of Committee on School Houses on new permanent school accommodations.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, the report of the Committee on School Houses on new permanent school accommodations, as printed in the Minutes of Dec. 8, pages 483–485, was taken from the table.

On motion of the same member, the report was amended by striking out item 28 and substituting in place thereof the following:

28. Dorchester. Harvard-street District. — New primary school-house to contain ten rooms, and to be located within the district bounded approximately by Harvard street, Blue Hill avenue, Washington street, and the Midland Division of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad;

and by adding the following words at the end of item 29:

It is recommended that no further action be taken with regard to this item at the present time.

Mr. Mulvey moved that item 3 of the aforesaid report be amended by substituting the word:—six,— for the word "two" in the first line, and also by striking out the last sentence.

The motion to amend was declared lost.

Mr. Mulvey doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Keenan, Mulvey and Vogel — 6.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Ellis, Ernst, Harkins, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, and Pierce — 14.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Gallivan, Merritt, Paine, and Storrow.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, the report of the committee, as amended, was accepted, and its recommendations adopted.

Mr. Kenny, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, reported the death of Alice W. Baker, late assistant, primary school, Norcross District, which occurred Dec. 12, 1903.

Report of Committee on Sixth Division; death of Alice W. Baker.

Accepted.

Mrs. Duff offered the following:

Ordered, That the schools close for the Christmas vacation tomorrow, Wednesday, Dec. 23, at 12 o'clock noon.

Schools closed Dec. 23, at 12 o'clock M.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

Ordered, That when the Board adjourns it be to meet in this room on Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1904, at half-past seven o'clock P.M.

Adjournment.

Mr. Brock, having filed with the Secretary the required notice of his intention so to do, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby an order that the vote of this Board of June 23, to the effect that the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be informed that this Board hereby designates the Martin School District as the district within which the new Normal School shall be built, be rescinded, was declared passed at the last meeting.

Reconsideration; Normal School site.

Mr. Harkins raised the point of order that an order to rescind could not be reconsidered.

The Chair ruled the point of order not well taken.

Mr. Harkins appealed from the decision of the Chair.

The decision of the Chair was declared sustained.

Mr. Harkins doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The decision of the chair was sustained by the following vote:

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brett, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Ellis, Ernst, Kenny, Keough, Mulvey, Pierce, and Vogel. — 13.

Yeas and nays.

Nays: Mr. Casey, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, McDonald, and Merritt — 8.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Cushing, Paine, and Storrow.

The question came on the motion to reconsider.

The motion to reconsider was declared passed.

Mr. Casey doubted the vote, and, on his motion, the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The motion to reconsider was lost by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Cushing, Ernst, Mulvey, and Pierce — 8.

Nays: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Clark, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ellis, Gallivan, Harkins, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, McDonald, Merritt, and Vogel — 14.

Absent: Messrs. Paine and Storrow.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following:

Superintendent authorized to employ additional assistance; issue of certificates for employment of minors.

Ordered, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to employ such temporary assistance as he may require from time to time, for the purpose of facilitating the giving of the certificates required for the employment of certain minors under chapter 183 of the Acts of 1902.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following:

Offices of School Committee closed Dec. 26, 1903. Rules suspended.

Ordered, That the offices of the School Committee be closed on Saturday, Dec. 26, 1903.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following:

New floor in exhibition hall, Lowell School.

Ordered, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to have a new floor laid in the exhibition hall of the Lowell School.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

On motion of Mr. Vogel the Board adjourned.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

In School Committee, January 5, 1904.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock P.M., the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. McDonald, Paine, Storrow, and Vogel.

On motion of Mr. Ernst, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Approval of appointments and confirmations laid over.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointments and confirmations of instructors as presented at the last meeting.

The appointments and confirmations were approved.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Ellis moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the said appointments and confirmations were declared approved, hoping the same would not prevail.

Lost.

Approval of appointment of janitor laid over.

The Chair stated the question was on approving the appointment of a janitor, as presented at the last meeting.

The appointment was approved.

The following orders, laid over under the rule at the last meeting, were successively read and passed:

Transfer of an appropriation. [See p. 511.]

Ordered, That of the amounts awarded by the Board of Street Commissioners for the taking of a part of the Ticknor School-house lot, the John A. Andrew School-house lot on Dorchester street, and the Longfellow School-house lot on Walter street, there be transferred to the Appropriation for School-houses the

sum of fourteen thousand sixty-eight and $\frac{40}{100}$ dollars ($14,068.40), the same to be expended as follows:

For construction work performed on the Roger Wolcott School building and yard, for construction work to be performed on the John A. Andrew School building and yard, and on the Longfellow School building and yard	$3,000 00
For providing additional class-room accommodations in the Plummer School-house	3,500 00
For grading the grounds of the Dorchester High School,	7,568 40

Expenditures in connection with report on schedule of salaries for janitors. [See p. 516.]

Ordered, That the Committee on Salaries are hereby authorized to expend an amount not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100) in connection with the preparation of their report upon a schedule of salaries for janitors.

Payment to Edward A. Moore. [See p. 515.]

Ordered, That there be paid to Edward A. Moore the sum of six dollars ($6) for services as substitute janitor of the Washington Allston Evening School from Nov. 18 to Nov. 27, 1903, inclusive.

Report of Committee on Salaries on schedule of salaries for janitors. [See pp. 516, 517.]

The report of the Committee on Salaries, containing a proposed Schedule of Salaries for Janitors of Grammar and Primary School-houses (School Document No. 11, 1903), with appended orders, laid over at the last meeting, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, the aforesaid report was amended as follows:

Page 5. Strike out the words "order No. 1" in the third line, and substitute in place thereof the words: — the appended orders.

Page 7. FLOOR AREA. Strike out the word "etc." in the fourth line of the paragraph under this heading, and insert the word: — and — between the words "gymnasia" and "store-rooms" in the same line. Also add the following words at the end of the paragraph: Floor area, however, does not include attics, nor storage space in attics, above halls or class-rooms.

Page 8. CLASSIFICATION OF BUILDINGS. Class A. — (1) Insert after the word "and" in the first line the words: — engines or. Class B. — (1) Insert after the word "steam" in the first line the words: — or hot water.

Add the following at the bottom of the page:

Buildings in which there are installed two types of heating and ventilating apparatus of substantially equal importance shall be classified according to the superior type of such apparatus.

The classification of buildings shall not be raised above that determined by the main heating and ventilating plant in consequence of the type of such apparatus installed in sanitaries, or in additions to the main building containing not more than three rooms.

Page 12. Order 7. (*See also* Minutes, page 517.) Amend said order to read as follows:

7. *Ordered*, That the compensation for janitor service of two or more buildings, each containing three or more class-rooms, and in charge of the same janitor, shall be as per schedule for the first and largest building, and for each additional building at the rate of the nearest multiple of twelve to eighty per centum (80%) of schedule rate.

The report was accepted as amended.

Mr. Casey offered the following:

Ordered, that the report and appended orders be referred to the next School Board, and that the Corporation Counsel be requested for his opinion as to the legality of changing the salaries of janitors as therein stated.

Declared lost.

Mr. Casey doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

Mr. Casey's order was lost by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Casey, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Gallivan, Harkins, and Merritt — 6.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Brock, Burrill, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Ellis, Ernst, Keenan, Kenny, Keough, Mulvey, and Pierce — 14. Yeas and nays.

Absent: Messrs. McDonald, Paine, Storrow, and Vogel.

The orders appended to the aforesaid report, as amended, passed by a vote of 15 to 3.

Mr. Keough moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the aforesaid orders were declared passed, hoping the same would not prevail. Reconsideration.

Lost.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Casey, it was

Opinion of Corporation Counsel on legality of changing janitors' salaries.

Ordered, That the opinion of the Corporation Counsel be obtained as to the legality of changing the salaries of janitors as stated in School Document No. 11, 1903, entitled Report of the Committee on Salaries.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations.

Dorchester High School. — Henry W. B. Arnold, Harold Bisbee, assistants, Jan. 4, 1904.

Agassiz District. — Josephine Fokes, assistant, Primary School, Jan. 14, 1904.

Christopher Gibson District. — Catherine F. Byrne, assistant, Grammar School, from Dec. 7, 1903.

Eliot District — Mary G. Welch, assistant, Grammar School, Jan. 1, 1904.

Gaston District. — Louise E. Means, assistant, Primary School, Jan. 1, 1904.

Phillips Brooks District. — Edson L. Ford, assistant, Grammar School, Dec. 9, 1903.

Washington Allston District. — William C. Crawford, sub-master Dec. 7, 1903.

Accepted.

The following appointments, made by the Superintendent, and certified by him as being in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, were presented for the approval of the Board:

SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Special assistant.

Comins District. — Mary A. Mahoney, Boston, Grammar School, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Rules suspended.

Approved, under a suspension of the rules.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Frothingham District. — Angelina K. Mudge, Newton, assistant, Kindergarten, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Gaston District. — Margaret A. Murphy, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 4, 1904.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: Leaves of absence granted; substitutes approved.

Bunker Hill District. — Angelia M. Knowles, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 11, 1904, until May 11, 1904; Helen F. Davol, Boston, substitute.

Comins District. — Mary Bradford, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 15, 1904, until May 15, 1904.

Eliot District. — B. Louise Hagerty, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 4, 1904, until Apr. 1, 1904: Elizabeth M. Shine, Boston, substitute.

Gaston District. — Caroline M. Kingman, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 1, 1904, until Mar. 1, 1904; Emma S. McNamara, Cambridge, substitute.

Mary Hemenway District. — Margaret C. Schouler, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 4, 1904, until Feb. 1, 1904; Ellen G. McTernan, Boston, substitute.

Wells District. — Mary Lillis, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 1, 1904, until Apr. 1, 1904.

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

The following appointment was accompanied by a written statement by the Superintendent of the reasons for requesting a suspension of the Regulations pertaining thereto: Temporary teacher.

Eliot District. — Mary L. Sullivan, Somerville, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 4, 1904.

The rules were suspended to permit the appointment, and the appointment placed on file. Rules suspended.

The following appointment, made by the Superintendent, in pursuance of a special order passed by the Board, was presented for approval:

SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Special assistant.

Horace Mann School. — B. Ethel Burton, Boston, from Dec. 22, 1903.

Rules suspended.

Approved, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on First Division; death of Ellen M. Robbins.

Mr. Keough, for the Committee on the First Division, reported the death of Ellen M. Robbins, late first assistant, Primary School, in the Adams District, which occurred Dec. 29, 1903.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on School Houses; death of a janitor.

Mr. Burrill, for the Committee on School Houses reported the death of Catherine O'Sullivan, late janitor of the Grant School-house, which occurred Dec. 27, 1903.

Accepted.

Rules for janitors, engineers and matrons, and regulations of school buildings.

Mr. Burrill, for the same committee, presented for the approval of the Board, a set of Rules for Janitors, Engineers, and Matrons of the public schools, and Regulations governing the use of school buildings, in print.

On motion of Mr. Burrill, referred to the next School Board.

Mr. Brock, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following:

Compensation of interpreters in Evening Schools and Educational Centres.

Ordered, That the compensation of interpreters employed in the Evening Schools and Educational Centres during the term 1903–04 be established at the rate of two dollars ($2) for each evening of actual service.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Brock, for the same committee, offered the following:

Salaries of acting head-masters of Charlestown, East Boston and South Boston Evening High Schools.

Ordered, That Walter L. Harrington, Henry H. Folsom, and W. Lawrence Murphy be respectively paid at the rate of five dollars ($5) for each evening of

actual service as acting head-masters of the Charlestown, East Boston, and South Boston Evening High Schools from the beginning of the current term until the dates of their regular appointment to said positions.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Keough offered the following:

Site for new Normal School-house. [See pp. 354, 375, 376, 424.]

Ordered, That the following extract from the Minutes of the Committee on School Houses, together with the appended copy of a letter from that committee to the Chairman of the Schoolhouse Commissioners, be printed in the Minutes of this Board as a record of the attitude of the Committee on School Houses in the matter of the selection of any particular site for the Normal School:

IN COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL HOUSES,
BOSTON, September 14, 1903.

The committee met at 4 o'clock P.M. Present: Messrs. Burrill, Brock, Ellis, and Keough.

Messrs. Paine and Casey of the Committee on the Normal School and Chairman Sturgis of the Schoolhouse Commissioners being present, the question of the selection of a site for the Normal and Girls' Latin Schools was informally discussed, but no action was taken thereon.

BOSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE, SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
MASON STREET, October 13, 1903.

MR. R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,

Chairman, Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.:

DEAR SIR,— I am directed by the Committee on School Houses to acknowledge the receipt of your communication under date of October 5 containing such information as is on file in your department relative to land for the new Normal School building, the concluding paragraph of which reads as follows:

"On September 14th, 1903 — At the Committee on School Houses, Mr. Paine and Mr. Casey of Committee on Normal School present the Crafts and Worthington-st. sites were compared, but no vote was passed. The general feeling was in favor of the Worthington-st. site."

The committee consider the final statement in the foregoing paragraph as not warranted by anything that occurred at the meet-

ing to which you refer. You will remember that in response to a remark made by you to the same general effect, it was expressly stated that the committee disclaimed the conclusion being drawn from anything said at the meeting that they favored the Worthington-street or any other particular site. The committee therefore trust that you will withdraw the statement contained in your communication to the contrary.

Furthermore, if your communication contains elsewhere any statement that might be construed as expressive of any action or opinion on the part of the Committee on School Houses which does not appear as a matter of record in their Minutes, the committee request that such statement be stricken therefrom.

Very truly yours,

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

A true copy.
Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

Mr. Casey moved that the foregoing order be amended to include the communication received by the Committee on School Houses from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, containing a report of its doings relative to the obtaining of a site for a new Normal School and copies of all communications received by said Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners in which sites are offered and prices are given.

Mr. Casey's motion to amend passed by a vote of 8 to 7.

The order offered by Mr. Keough, as amended, passed.

(THE COMMUNICATION IS AS FOLLOWS:)

October 5, 1903.

To the Committee on School Houses, Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — In compliance with your request of Sept. 29, we beg to submit herewith for the use of your Board such information as we have on file in this department relative to land for the new Normal School building.

On Dec. 12, 1901, a communication was received from Superintendent Seaver's office with a list of schools required, items Nos. 20 and 22 reading:

"20. Normal School. In the vicinity of Dudley Street Transfer Station."

"22. New district in the vicinity of the Normal School — Grammar and Primary school-house."

On Dec. 18, 1901, the Schoolhouse Commissioners confirmed the School Committee's final list, in which items Nos. 20 and 22 remained unchanged.

On Nov. 1, 1902, the School Committee requested the Commissioners to proceed with the Normal School.

On Nov. 5, 1902, order from School Committee proposed for reconsideration.

On Nov 11, 1902, the School Committee voted to rescind the following order passed by them at the previous meeting, and referred the same to the Committee on School Houses:

"*Ordered*, That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be informed that, in the opinion of this Board, immediate action by said Commission toward procuring a site for and the erecting of a new Normal School building is desirable, and that they be requested to procure at once a suitable site for the same."

Nov. 24, 1902, the Committee on School Houses, Mr. Boyden and Mr. Tetlow, discussed the advantages and disadvantages of having two schools together.

Jan. 27, 1903. — Mr. Boyden thinks land of Boston Water Power Company on the Fens, near Simmons College, would suit him, and make a new district between the Martin and Prince. Mr. Seaver reported in favor of this lot, about 100,000 feet. The Commissioners visited the Isaac Fenno estate, on Buena Vista and Walnut avenues, which seemed fair — 34,000 feet at $1 per foot. Simmons lot was bought at $1.25. (Mr. Boyden thinks that.)

On Feb. 17, 1903, the following communication was sent to Mr. Charles L. Burrill, Chairman:

February 17, 1903.

MR. CHARLES L. BURRILL,

Chairman of Committee on School Houses, Boston Public Schools:

DEAR SIR, — Mr. Apollonio has shown me a list of certain items selected from the general list of Dec. 18, 1901, with the understanding that nothing could be done during the present year on items 20 and 22 (and 24, which belongs with items 20 and 22) beyond the selection and purchase of land; that nothing could be done on the Girls' Latin beyond the purchase of land and preparation of plans, and nothing on item 11 beyond the preparation of plans. The other items can be cared for during the present year provided the Common Council appropriate the full amount of $1,500,000 which is asked for.

I am, very respectfully yours,

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,
Chairman.

In the revised list of Committee on School Houses, Feb. 21, 1903, items 20 and 22 remain unchanged.

On March 24, 1903, new lot offered on Winthrop and Greenville streets, 52,479 square feet for about $71,600.

On Apr. 2, 1903, went over requirements with Mr. Boyden.

On Apr. 25, 1903, the Commissioners advertised for land as follows :

City of Boston — Proposal for Land. The Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston will receive sealed proposals for selling to the City land for a Normal School in the vicinity of the Dudley Street Transfer Station, and in the Dudley, Dearborn, Dillaway, or Lewis School Districts, to contain between 35,000 and 40,000 square feet. All proposals should be submitted on or before Monday, May 11, 1903, at 12 o'clock noon, at the office of the Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston street, Boston. Said proposals will at that time be publicly opened and read, and thereafter a public hearing will be given by the Schoolhouse Commissioners at said office on Monday, May 18, 1903, at 2 o'clock P.M., at which hearing the proposals and the suitableness of the lands offered therein will be considered. The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all proposals.

R. Clipston Sturgis,
John H. Colby,
Frederic O. North,
Schoolhouse Commissioners.

On Apr. 24, 1903, the Commissioners addressed a letter to the Committee on School Houses, relative to the Normal site, and on the 28th a reply to the same was received, copies of which are next attached.

April 24, 1903.

To the Committee on School Houses, Boston Public Schools:

Gentlemen, — Item 21, Girls' Latin School, reads "In the vicinity of the Normal School." It has appeared from previous conferences that there is no necessity of grouping these two schools.

The Normal School must necessarily have a training school, and if the Girls' Latin were to be located also on the same lot, it would probably be difficult and it certainly would be expensive to find sufficient area in a central location to acommodate all these. The Commissioners wish to advertise for land both for the Normal and Girls' Latin School. For the former they have advertised according to the list for land in the vicinity of the Dudley Street Transfer Station, and it has a further explanation that it should be in the Dearborn, Dillaway, Dudley or Lewis Districts.

We would like to advertise for the Girls' Latin School and let this item read "As near to the present location as it is possible to procure land," feeling that the neighborhood where it now is, is the most desirable one for this school. The Commissioners, of course, make this merely as a tentative suggestion, quite understanding that this is a matter that lies outside of their province, but would like your decision to allow them to advertise at once.

Very respectfully yours,

R. Clipston Sturgis,
Chairman.

Boston School Committee,
Secretary's Office, Mason Street, April 28, 1903.

Mr. R. Clipston Sturgis,

Chairman, Schoolhouse Commissioners,
120 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass:

Dear Sir, — Your communication, under date of Apr. 24, relative to the situation of the proposed new Girls' Latin School-house, was taken under

consideration at a meeting of the Committee on School Houses held yesterday afternoon, and I am directed by the Committee to state that in their opinion it does not appear necessary for them to give any further instructions with regard to this matter, inasmuch as item 21 in the list of additional school accommodations adopted by the Board at its meeting of Mar. 10 does not specify that the proposed Girls' Latin School-house shall be in the vicinity of the Normal School. The restriction as to the location of this school appears to have been made by the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners and not by the School Committee, and therefore there is no occasion for the latter modifying any action previously taken by it in this respect.

Very truly yours,

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

On Apr. 28, 1903, the Commissioners informed your Board of the decision of the Corporation Counsel in regard to naming districts in which a school is to be located, a copy of which letter is next attached.

April 28, 1903.

MR. T. D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary School Committee, Boston Public Schools:

MY DEAR SIR, — The Corporation Counsel advises us that under the act we cannot take land for school purposes except in a district that has been designated by the School Committee. No district has been so designated for the Girls' Latin School. We had supposed that the word "district" referred to a school district, and that it did not apply to buildings like the Normal or Girls' Latin, which serve the city at large, but the Corporation Counsel interprets the word to mean the location of the school, so that it will be necessary for us to receive from the School Committee instructions as to the location of the Girls' Latin. According to the understanding arrived at yesterday at the meeting of the Committee on School Houses, we trust this item will read, "Land for Girls' Latin School as near to the present location as it is possible to procure land, and in the Prince, Franklin, Dwight, or Martin Districts, about 30,000 square feet."

I am, very truly yours,

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,
Chairman.

On May 6, 1903, we advertised for land for the Girls' Latin School, as follows:

City of Boston. Proposals for Land. — The Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston will receive sealed proposals for selling to the city land for site for Girls' Latin School in the vicinity of Copley square, or in the Prince, Franklin, Dwight, or Martin School Districts, to contain about 30,000 square feet. All proposals should be submitted on or before Wednesday, May 20, 1903, at 12 o'clock noon, at the office of the Commissioners, 120 Boylston street, Boston. Said proposals will at that time be publicly opened and read, and thereafter a public hearing will be given by the Commissioners at said office on Wednesday, May 27, 1903, at 2 o'clock P.M., at which hearing the proposals and the suitableness of the land offered therein will be considered. The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all proposals.

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,
JOHN H. COLBY,
FREDERIC O. NORTH,
Commissioners.

On May 11, 1903, we received bids for the Normal School land as previously advertised, from which it appeared that of the various lots offered the lot on Walnut avenue and Buena Vista street, that on Walnut avenue and Bower street, and that on Kensington, Kingsbury, and Galena streets, were the three most advantageous offers; the two former at $1, and the latter at 87 cents per foot. Copy of bids attached:

BOSTON, May 9, 1903.

To the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.:

GENTLEMEN, — In accordance with your advertised request for bids I beg to submit the following parcel of land as a possible site for the new Normal School in the Roxbury District:

A certain lot of land bounded northerly by Holworthy street about 379 feet, easterly by Harold street about 195 feet, southerly by Hollander street about 355 feet, and westerly by Crawford street and Walnut avenue about 220 feet, containing in all 73,487 square feet of land more or less.

The price at which I can offer the above is $44,500. The location is convenient to transportation by electric cars, either on Washington street or Humboldt avenue, while far enough away from either to be free from any objection from noise. The land is vacant, therefore nothing has to be allowed for the removal of existing buildings.

I enclose a rough plan of the land submitted.

Trusting that the same may meet with your approval,

I am, yours respectfully,

R. E. TOWNSEND,
Agent.

BOSTON, May 21, 1903.

Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.:

GENTLEMEN, — I beg to offer for your consideration the following lots of land, this proposition to be supplementary to my proposition offering for your consideration the lot of land at the corner of Walnut avenue, Bower and Harold streets.

The lots hereby submitted are respectively numbered 4, 5, 6, and 7 on the enclosed plan, which plan shows areas and dimensions of the same.

The price at which I am authorized to offer you the lot at the corner of Harold street is $1.25 per square foot. The price at which I am authorized to offer you the other three lots, being lots 5, 6, and 7 on the enclosed plan, is $1 per square foot.

Trusting that these four lots in connection with the large lot already submitted will answer your requirements.

I remain, yours very truly,

R. E. TOWNSEND.
Agent.

May 9, 1903.

DEAR MR. STURGIS, — I have a plan showing the lots you inquired about yesterday.

The price in lot 4 is $1.25 per square foot, but I feel quite sure that if the owners can be assured that the use of the land will benefit the neighborhood and keep out tenements they might sell at $1 per square foot.

The price on lots 5, 6, 7 is $1 per square foot, but I am confident they could be obtained as a whole for 80 cents per square foot. I shall be glad to call again if you so desire.

Yours truly,

R. E. TOWNSEND.

FOR NORMAL SCHOOL.

BOSTON, May 4, 1903.

MESSRS. R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, JOHN H. COLBY, FREDERIC O. NORTH,
Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street, Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — As per advertisement of April 25, 1903, I hereby offer to the Commissioners the lot of land situated on the westerly side of Humboldt avenue, Roxbury, bounded and described as follows: Northerly by Holworthy street 175 feet, easterly by Humboldt avenue 200 feet, southerly by Hollander street 180 feet, westerly by various owners — containing 35,100 square feet; price, $43,000.

Respectfully submitted,
MINNIE H. STONE,
By JOSEPH STONE,
Agent.

FOR NORMAL SCHOOL.

BOSTON, May 4, 1903.

MESSRS. R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, JOHN H. COLBY, FREDERIC O. NORTH,
Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street, Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — As per advertisement of April 25, 1903, I hereby offer to the Commissioners the lot of land situated on the southerly side of Townsend street, Roxbury, bounded and described as follows: Northerly by Townsend street 170 feet, westerly by Harold street 268 feet, southerly by Harrishof street 145 feet, westerly by various owners — containing 40,000 square feet; price, $40,000.

Respectfully submitted,
MINNIE H. STONE,
By JOSEPH STONE,
Agent.

FOR NORMAL SCHOOL.

BOSTON, May 4, 1903.

MESSRS. R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, JOHN H. COLBY, FREDERIC O. NORTH,
Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston street, Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — As per advertisement of April 25, 1903, I hereby offer to the Commissioners the lot of land situated on the southerly side of Holworthy street, Roxbury, bounded and described as follows: Northerly by Holworthy street 400 feet, westerly by Harold street 100 feet, southerly by various owners, easterly by land of grantor 100 feet — containing 40,000 square feet; price $21,000.

Respectfully submitted,
MINNIE H. STONE,
By JOSEPH STONE,
Agent.

FOR NORMAL SCHOOL.

BOSTON May 4, 1903.

MESSRS. R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, JOHN H. COLBY, FREDERIC O. NORTH,
Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston street, Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — As per advertisement of April 25, 1903, I hereby offer to the Commissioners the lot of land situated on the easterly side of Walnut avenue, Roxbury, bounded and described as follows: Westerly by Walnut avenue 100 feet, southerly by Holworthy street 376 feet, easterly by Harold street 100 feet, northerly by various owners — containing 37,200 square feet; price $28,000.

BOSTON, April 28, 1903.

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, ESQ., JOHN H. COLBY, ESQ., FREDERIC O. NORTH, ESQ.,

Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street:

GENTLEMEN,— In answer to your proposal for land suitable for a site for a Normal School to be located in Roxbury, I submit for your consideration the following location, which I respectfully offer in behalf of the owners: The estate on the northwesterly corner of Roxbury street and Shawmut avenue. The estate numbers from 50 to 71 Roxbury street inclusive, and 881 and 883 Shawmut avenue, with a frontage also on Bicknell avenue, containing 19,881 square feet; price, $3.00 per square foot. In conjunction with this property I offer the estate 827 Shawmut avenue, containing 19,332 square feet; price, $1.81 per square foot. This makes a total area of 39,213 square feet of land, with a frontage of 190 feet on Roxbury street and a total frontage on Shawmut avenue of 212 feet, and also a frontage on Bicknell avenue. The average cost of the two parcels together $2.41 per square foot, or a total cost of $94,643.

This location is almost opposite the new court-house on Roxbury street, and a location in which the building will face east, south, and west, with a very large frontage and sunny exposure. The location is sufficiently removed from the elevated structure to avoid the annoyance of the same, but only about two minutes' walk from the Dudley Street Terminal Station. The proposed site is only two minutes' walk, via Roxbury street, to the elevated, and only one minute walk, via Marvin street, to the station.

Respectfully submitted for the owners.

Yours truly,

JOHN F. NEWTON, JR.

BOSTON, May 9, 1903.

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, ESQ., JOHN H. COLBY, ESQ., FREDERIC O. NORTH, ESQ.,

Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street:

GENTLEMEN,— On behalf of the owners I offer for your consideration for the proposed site for the Normal School, to be located in the vicinity of the Dudley Street Transfer Station, the property numbered 8, 10, 12 and 14 Greenville street, Roxbury, near Dudley street. The property has a combined area of 27,000 square feet, with a frontage on Greenville street of 170 feet. Price, $1.37 per square foot, or $37,000, and taxes as assessed May 1, 1903.

Yours truly,

JOHN F. NEWTON, JR.

BOSTON, May 18, 1903.

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, ESQ., JOHN H. COLBY, ESQ., FREDERIC O. NORTH, ESQ.,

Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street:

GENTLEMEN,— After an experience of selling real estate for eighteen years, I have found that investors of real estate do not always purchase where land is the cheapest, but where it is most desirable and convenient for the purpose wanted.

Concerning the property offered at the junction of Greenville and Winthrop streets at $1.45 per square foot. Other sites can be purchased for less money, simply for the reason they are not worth any more, and less suitable for a site for a Normal School, in the vicinity of the Dudley Street Transfer Station, as called for.

Compare the frontage of 487 feet with an area of 41,334 square feet, with other land offered, shows that this property is far superior for development for the Normal School site, over other estates offered, even at a larger price.

Taking this location for the proposed site as a centre, the approximate distances are as follows:

To the Dudley Street Transfer Station, 1,800 feet; to the Dearborn School, 1,800 feet; to the Dudley School, 2,700 feet; to the Hugh O'Brien School, 2,400 feet; to the Lewis School, 3,000 feet.

The approximate distances from this location to the electric cars are as follows:

To the Dudley street electrics via Greenville street, 600 feet; to the Warren street electrics via Winthrop street, 600 feet; to the Blue Hill avenue electrics via Winthrop street, 1,500 feet.

If the Normal School should be built on this site it could be easily seen from Warren street, on account of the large setback from the street to the church adjoining the property.

The price of this estate at $1.45 per foot, in comparison with other locations for Normal and High School sites of the city, might be of interest:

Normal School on Dartmouth street, corner of Appleton street, $2.75 per foot.

Public Latin School on Warren avenue, taxed for $3.00 per foot.

Girls' High School on West Newton street, $1.75 per foot.

Roxbury High School on Warren street, corner of Montrose street, price paid by the city, $2.00 per foot.

Mechanic Arts, Belvidere street, corner of Dalton street, $2.75 per foot.

Of course it would be impossible to find in this most desirable section of the city 35,000 to 40,000 square feet of unimproved land, and this necessitates the purchase of property built upon, but at a reasonable figure. The dwellings now on the property can be sold at a good price and moved to convenient locations, and thus the price to the city for the site is considerably reduced.

It would be a waste of time for us to go further into the reasons why this location is most suitable for the Normal School site, as no doubt your honorable board sees and appreciates facts concerning this location that further recommend this site for the purpose intended, that do not appear to me.

Yours very truly,

JOHN F. NEWTON, JR.

BOSTON, May 16, 1903.

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, ESQ., JOHN H. COLBY, ESQ., FREDERIC O. NORTH, ESQ.,

Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street:

GENTLEMEN,—In addition to my offering under date of May 8, 1903, for the proposed site for the Normal School, as shown on plan submitted, of estate located at the junction of Greenville street and Winthrop street, as designated lots A, B and C on said plan. I would like to offer the estate adjoining said estates, located No. 25 Greenville street. The owner has since informed me that he would sell his estate, price $15,000, possession not to be given before one year. He has hitherto declined to sell.

This would give an increased area to that already offered of 6,866 square feet, and an increased frontage of 50 feet, making a total area of 48,000 square feet, and a total frontage on Greenville street of 290 feet, and an entire frontage of 537 feet.

I do not think there would be any difficulty in securing additional land in the immediate rear of said lots, if such land was wanted.

Yours truly,

JOHN F. NEWTON, JR.

BOSTON, May 8, 1903.

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, ESQ., JOHN H. COLBY, ESQ.. FREDERIC O. NORTH, ESQ.,

Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street:

GENTLEMEN, — I respectfully offer for your consideration for the proposed site for the Normal School to be located in the vicinity of the Dudley Street Transfer Station, Dudley, Dillaway, Dearborn, or Lewis School Districts, estates as shown by plan herewith, comprising lots A, B, and C, at the junction of Greenville and Winthrop streets, Roxbury. The combined estates have an area of 41,334 square feet, with a frontage on Winthrop street of 185 feet, on a curved line of 62 feet, and on Greenville street of 240 feet, making a total frontage of 487 feet, at $1.45 per square foot, or $60,000, and taxes as assessed May 1, 1903.

Respectfully submitted for the owners.

Yours truly,

JOHN F. NEWTON, JR.

May 11, 1903.

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, ESQ., JOHN H. COLBY, ESQ., FREDERIC O. NORTH, ESQ.,

Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street:

GENTLEMEN, — I respectfully submit for your consideration for the proposed site for the Normal School to be located in the vicinity of the Dudley Street Transfer Station, the properties numbered 8, 10, 12 and 14 Greenville street with the estate in the immediate rear, located at 21 Mt. Pleasant avenue. The combined estates have a total area of 36,928 square feet, price, $1.40 per square foot, or $52,000, and taxes as assessed May 1, 1903. This gives a total frontage on Greenville street of 170 feet, and on Mt. Pleasant avenue of 60 feet, and is adjacent to Dudley street, and about 1,000 feet from the Dudley Street Transfer Station.

Respectfully submitted for the owners.

Yours truly,

JOHN F. NEWTON, JR.

23 COURT STREET, BOSTON, May 11, 1903.

To the Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — In accordance with your advertisement for sites for Normal School building, in vicinity of Dudley Street Terminal of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, in Roxbury, I submit the following location to be considered by you, singly, collectively, or in such a lot as would best suit your requirements:

The estate No. 207 Roxbury street, assessed to Mary R. Tower, containing twenty-three thousand (23,000) square feet of land, more or less, for forty-six thousand ($46,000) dollars.

The estate No. 189 Roxbury street, adjoining the Tower property, assessed to J. Austin Rogers, containing twenty-seven thousand (27,000) square feet of land, more or less, for fifty-four thousand ($54,000) dollars.

The estate No. 183 Roxbury street, adjoining the Rogers property, assessed to the heirs and devisees under the will of Charles K. Dillaway, containing thirty thousand (30,000) square feet of land, more or less, for thirty-five thousand ($35,000) dollars.

These estates lie midway between the Dudley Street Terminal and the Roxbury Crossing. Each has a large frontage on Eliot square, with an elevation that commands an excellent view of the city.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS J. MCLAUGHLIN.

BOSTON, May 1, 1903.

To the Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN; — Responding to your proposal, dated April 25, 1903, for land in the vicinity of Dudley Street Transfer Station for a Normal School, the undersigned offers her lot of land in said vicinity, situated on the northwesterly corner of Winthrop and Greenville streets, and adjoining the First Methodist Episcopal Church property.

This lot contains 27,431 square feet, more or less, with house and outbuildings, and will be sold to the city for the gross price of $34,000.

Very truly yours,

B. T. MCCORMICK.

CHARLES B. MCCORMICK, *Attorney.*

6 INTERVALE STREET, ROXBURY, May 8, 1903.

To the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — I herewith submit to you a proposal to sell to the City of Boston a lot of land for the site of a Normal School in answer to your recent advertisement for same.

This land is located about four minutes from Dudley Station in a quiet residential section, one block from Washington street cars and bounded on three sides by streets, thus affording an unusual area of light and air space.

The lot measures 207.5 feet on Galena street, 217.5 feet on Kensington street, the corner of which overlooks Washington Park. It contains about 38,262 square feet, which I offer for 87 cents per square foot. Enclosed please find plan of said land, all of which is most respectfully submitted.

ISABEL P. KELLY.

511 SEARS BUILDING, BOSTON, MASS., May 19, 1903.

To the Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston :

GENTLEMEN, — On the plan which was enclosed with the proposal which I had the honor to make to your Board on the 11th instant, there is represented in the northeast corner thereon a small area, embracing about 2,000 superficial feet, marked "Osgood." This area, now the property of Mrs. Frederic L. Baker, 36 Cliff street, I am now authorized to offer in connection with the "Weston" and "Hodges" tracts, thus aggregating 40,000 square feet, and making the frontage on Cliff street 125 lineal feet, as against the 130 feet frontage on St. James street.

I estimate the price stated in my proposal of the 11th instant for the "Hodges" estate at 92 cents per square foot. I offer the "Osgood" or "Baker" tract at that figure, all buildings included.

Most respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK S. HODGES.

511 SEARS BUILDING, BOSTON, MASS., May 11, 1903.

MESSRS. R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, JOHN H. COLBY AND FREDERIC O. NORTH,
Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — In response to your published call for proposals for selling to the city land for a Normal School in the vicinity of the Dudley Street Transfer Station, I herewith submit my offer to sell to the city the tract of land, with the buildings thereon, containing 25,000 square feet of land, as shown on plan enclosed, made by Alonzo D. Wright, dated May 9, 1903. This estate lies between St. James and Cliff streets, and is No. 39 St. James street and Nos. 38 and 40 Cliff street.

Being fully authorized to do so, I also offer to sell to the city the adjoining lot of land on the northwest, with the buildings thereon, containing 13,000 square feet of land, marked "Weston" on the enclosed plan.

I offer these lots at a price equal to their average assessed valuation during the last three years, plus 25 per cent. of such average assessed valuation.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK S. HODGES.

BOSTON, May 16, 1903.

To the Honorable Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — I wish to present to your Board for consideration for a site for a "Normal School," located in the Dearborn School District, within four minutes' walk of the Dudley Street Terminal of the Elevated Railroad, the following pieces of property and the prices, giving a frontage on two streets, viz., Mt. Pleasant avenue and Forest street.

Fourteen hundred feet, estate of Isabella E. Kelley, on Mt. Pleasant avenue, at 75 cents per square foot, $10,500.

Ten thousand one hundred and sixty-seven feet, Nos. 52 and 54 Mt. Pleasant avenue, with double house, property of W. O. & C. W. Curtis, trustees, $15,000.

Twenty thousand six hundred and sixty-five feet, with building, Nos. 17 to 27 Forest street, property of M. Ward heirs, at 75 cents per square foot, $15,500.

These pieces give a frontage of about 150 feet on Mt. Pleasant avenue, and 140 feet on Forest street. All good land.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM J. FLYNN,
10 Tremont Street.

47 TOWNSEND STREET, ROXBURY, MASS., May 11, 1903.

TO R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, JOHN H. COLBY, FREDERIC O. NORTH,
Schoolhouse Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN, — In reply to your advertisement for proposals for the sale of land for a Normal School in the vicinity of the Dudley Street Transfer Station, I would offer you the land located on Townsend street, formerly the home of ex-Mayor Otis of Roxbury, and No. 47 on said street.

The lot contains 74,970 square feet, is on very high ground, overlooking the whole city, and in a most central location. The option of buying the whole or half of the lot is given. The price on the whole lot is 75 cents per square foot, and on one-half the lot $1 per square foot. If this location meets your approval, I shall be glad to give you any further information you may desire.

Very truly yours,

JOHN C. DALY.

BOSTON, May 7, 1903.

To the Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — We respectfully submit for your consideration for two dollars per foot about 25,000 square feet of land with the buildings thereon, corner St. James and Regent streets, as a site for a Normal School in the district called for in your advertisement.

Respectfully,

CRUFF & BYRNE.

BOSTON, May 9, 1903.

To the Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — We respectfully submit for your consideration, for one dollar per foot, about 48,000 square feet of land with the buildings thereon, Nos. 25 and 27 Perrin street, as a site for a Normal School, in the district called for in your advertisement.

Respectfully,

CRUFF & BYRNE.

BOSTON, May 9, 1903.

To the Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — We respectfully submit for your consideration, for one dollar per foot, about 40,000 square feet of land on the southeast corner of Winthrop and Fairland streets, as a site for a Normal School, in the district called for in your advertisement.

Respectfully,

CRUFF & BYRNE.

BOSTON, May 8, 1903.

To the Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — We respectfully submit for your consideration, for one dollar per foot, about 27,500 square feet of land, located on Copeland, Aspen, and Dunreath streets, as a site for a Normal School, in the district called for in your advertisement.

Respectfully,

CRUFF & BYRNE.

BOSTON, May 11, 1903.

To the Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — We respectfully submit, for one dollar per foot, about 34,000 square feet land, No. 22 St. James street and Danforth place, as a site for a Normal School in the district called for in your advertisement.

Respectfully,

CRUFF & BYRNE.

JOSEPH A. CAMPBELL,

60 PEMBERTON SQUARE, May 7, 1903.

To the Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — In regard to your desire to obtain a site for a Normal School, I would state that I offer, on behalf of the owner, an ideal location for such a building.

The property is situated at the corner of Blue Hill avenue and Washington street, and contains 84,943 square feet.

We will sell 30,000 or 40,000 square feet of the triangular lot at the corner of said streets for $1.50 per square foot, or we will sell 30,000 or 40,000 square feet of land fronting on Blue Hill and Castlegate road for $1 per square foot.

The dimensions of the lot are about 375 feet on Blue Hill avenue, 600 feet on Washington street, and 425 on Castlegate road. The lot is capable of division in such manner as would suit the requirements of your board.

Yours truly,

JOSEPH CAMPBELL,

Agent.

BEALE, HUTCHINGS & BEALE, COUNSELLORS-AT-LAW,
1146 TREMONT BUILDING, BOSTON, May 18, 1903.

Schoolhouse Commissioners for the City of Boston, Boston, Mass.:

DEAR SIRS, — My father, J. H. Beale, put in a bid to sell the city a lot of land for a Primary School on Cottage street, Dorchester, near the Dudley Street Station. I understand that a lot of land is needed in that vicinity for a Normal School also, and this bid would be open for either a Normal or a Primary School, or both.

Yours truly,

ARTHUR M. BEALE.

JOSEPH BALCH,

53 STATE STREET, May 9, 1903.

Schoolhouse Commissioners, Mason Street, Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — I wish to offer for the site of the Normal School the estate No. 45 Lambert avenue, Roxbury. It consists of 29,415 square feet, a stone house and a wooden stable. It has a frontage of about 482 feet on three streets and is opposite the Fellowes Athenæum, an endowed library which, in all probability, would be only too glad to make a specialty of meeting the needs of the Normal School. The estate is centrally situated on high land and is held at about $1 a foot. The accompanying sketch shows its location and relative position to Eliot square, Dudley Street Terminal, and Roxbury Crossing.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH BALCH.

May 6, 1903.

To the School Commission, City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — Enclosed we hand you plans of two lots of land in Roxbury which seem to us well located for school purposes.

The lot of about 32,200 feet fronts on Winthrop, Moreland and Fairland streets. We will name for this $28,000. The other lot contains about 40,000 feet, corners on Winthrop and Fairland streets, 160 feet on Fairland street. From what you have said to the writer we judge you will not care for so large a lot, and therefore the price of this will depend upon how much and what part of it is wanted. Mr. Brown, the owner of this property, has other property fronting on Mt. Pleasant avenue and backs on to this lot, so if an entrance from that street is desired it can be obtained.

Yours very truly,

GEO. C. APPLETON & SON.

May 1, 1903.

Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — We hereby submit and offer for sale for Mary H. Galligan, owner, the estate numbered 3 Rockland street, Roxbury, containing 31,285 feet of land, together with adjoining lot in rear fronting on Stanwood place, containing 6,576 feet, making a total of 37,861 square feet. Will sell same for $40,000.

Plan enclosed shows location and lot.

R. F. ANDREWS, JR., & CO.,
Agents for Mary H. Galligan.

BOSTON, April 27, 1903.

Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — We hereby submit and offer for sale for Isaac Fenno heirs, owners, the corner lot of land bounded by Walnut avenue, Buena Vista street and Fenno street, Roxbury, as a site for the new Normal School. The lot contains about thirty-five thousand square feet, and the price is one dollar per square foot.

Plan enclosed shows location and lot.

R. F. ANDREWS, JR., & CO.,
Agents for Isaac Fenno Heirs.

May 11, 1903.

Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — We submit and offer for sale the lot of land known as the John M. Way estate, fronting on Copeland street, and running through to Dunreath street, Roxbury, as a site for the Normal School.

There is about 28,000 square feet of land, with large frontage on both streets.

It would make one of the most desirable locations in Roxbury, as it is but a minute or two to all lines of cars, and yet is free from noise usually found on thoroughfares.

Price, $36,000.

Respectfully,

R. F. ANDREWS, JR., & CO.,
Agents for Wm. T. Way.

Plan enclosed.

39 PERRIN STREET, ROXBURY, MASS., May 11, 1903.

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, ESQ., JOHN H. COLBY, ESQ., FREDERIC O. NORTH, ESQ.,

Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street:

GENTLEMEN. — I hereby submit for your consideration for the proposed site for the Normal School the properties located at 39 and 41 Perrin street, with a right of way through Burton avenue, Roxbury.

The estates have a total area of 32,500 square feet, with a frontage on Perrin street of 168 feet and a 25-foot right of way on Burton avenue.

The price of this property is $1 per square foot, or $32,500. The property is situated directly opposite Alaska street, which leads to the Blue Hill avenue line of cars, about an equal distance from the Warren street line.

Respectfully submitted in owner's behalf.

Yours truly,

LOUIS F. ABBOTT.

May 9, 1903.

To the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners,

120 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.:

GENTLEMEN, — In accordance with your advertised request for bids, I beg to submit the following parcel of land as a possible site for the Normal School in the Roxbury District:

A certain lot of land bounded northerly by Walnut avenue about 161 feet, easterly by Bower street about 203 feet, southerly by land of other owners about 177 feet, and westerly by Harold street about 186 feet — containing in all 34,169 square feet of land more or less.

The price at which I can offer this piece is $35,000. This land is high and well adapted for your purposes. It is convenient to transportation both on Washington street and Humboldt avenue, and is far enough removed from all car service to be free from the objection of noise. There are large frontages on three streets, the main frontage on Walnut avenue opening against Bainbridge street — a wide street — which insures the northwesterly exposure for all time.

I enclose herein a rough plan of the land submitted.

Trusting the same may meet with your approval,

I remain yours respectfully,

R. E. TOWNSEND,

Agent.

* This bid was not considered because it was not asked for.

BOSTON, May 15, 1903.

* *To the Honorable Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:*

GENTLEMEN, — We respectfully submit the following proposals for selling to the city land for a site for a Normal School. This proposal being made for the purpose of putting in writing a proposal made orally by our Mr. Storer on May 11, 1903.

First. — The lot marked X on the enclosed plans, containing 31,470.7 square feet, bounded southeasterly by Tremont entrance, northwesterly by Worthington street, and northeasterly and southwesterly by the side lines of Board of Survey streets, 50 feet wide, at $3.00 per square foot, or $94,412.10. Rights of way will be given over our land in said Board of Survey streets.

Second. — Part of the block marked V1. on enclosed plans, situated on the opposite side of Worthington street from the lot marked X, above described, bounded northeasterly by the southwesterly line of Board of Survey street No. 220, a distance of 164.42 feet, and southwesterly by the northeasterly line of Board of Survey street No. 219, a distance of 202.55 feet, and southeasterly by Worthington street, 173.55 feet, containing 31,195.3 square feet, as measured, exclusive of land in the Board of Survey streets, price $3 per square foot, or $62,390.60. Additional land in said block adjoining said tract on the northwest, as much as may be desired, bounded northwesterly by a line at right angles with street No. 219, and will be sold for $1.50 per square foot. If the city takes 35,000 square feet in all the price will be $68,597.65; for 40,000 square feet the price will be $75,597.65. Rights of way in said Board of Survey streets, extending from Worthington street along the whole distance of the land purchased, will be given.

It is unnecessary for us to state the manifest advantages of these locations for the purpose named, being, as they are, in close proximity to the Museum of Fine Arts, the Gardner Museum, and Simmons College, and near the Conservatory of Music, the Symphony Hall, and other educational institutions. The land is also close to the Huntington avenue and Longwood avenue cars, connecting all parts of the city. Simmons College, as you are probably aware, has recently bought the land adjoining the second parcel, on which it proposes to build four or five modern college buildings, including laboratories, and all the other accompaniments of a first-class modern college.

We should be happy to answer in detail any questions that you might care to ask of us in regard to said land.

Respectfully yours,

MOSES WILLIAMS,
JOHN H. STORER,
ARTHUR LYMAN,
Trustees of the Boston Water Power Co.,
By JOHN H. STORER,
Trustee.

It was then suggested that we might obtain from the city a portion of Washington park and this matter was referred to Mr. Bailey. It was found not to be feasible.

On May 20, 1903, we received bids for the Girls' Latin School, from which it appeared that lots could be purchased in the Martin District, bordering on Worthington street at $2.00 per foot, and the land back of this on Board of Survey streets at $1.50.

Correspondence with the trustees of the Boston Water Power Co. resulted in their making an offer to sell the whole lot, big enough to accommodate the Normal, Girls' Latin and the Training School, at a price of $1.50 for the land available for building purposes, and 75 cents per foot for the street land. This was not considered as it was not asked for.

On May 18, 1903, the hearing was held relative to land for the Normal School in the vicinity of Dudley Street Transfer Station. No new offers were received. Went with Mr. Seaver to see the Fenno, Gaston, Kelly, Harris and other land.

It was evident that the Fenno lot and Gaston lot, both containing 40,000 square feet, were too small to accommodate comfortably the Normal, its Training School and a playground for the latter.

As Mr. Seaver strongly favored the Gaston lot as the best offer, we opened negotiations with Mr. Townsend for the land adjoining across the street.

On May 20, 1903, Mr. Townsend quoted $1.25 and $1.00 for the corner and other lots; could be bought at $1.00, and 80 cents probably; asked him to get offers.

On May 22, 1903, Mr. W. A. Paine, corner lot opposite Gaston estate, will accept what he paid, 83 and 85 cents, with interest and taxes for four years. Voted to take the Gaston lot at $1.00, and four estates on Walnut avenue: Gaston, $34,169 plus Paine lot, $5,941, plus Mathieson land, $14,053, equal $54,163.

The taking, although signed by the Schoolhouse Commissioners, was not signed by the Superintendent of Schools, as explained in his letter of June 30, a copy of which follows :

BOSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, June 30, 1903.

Schoolhouse Commissioners, Boston, Mass.:

SIRS, — I return the papers herewith enclosed without my signature in view of the fact that all parties seem to agree that the land of the Boston Water Power Company should be purchased for the Normal School.

Yours very truly,
EDWIN P. SEAVER,
Superintendent of Public Schools.

A copy of papers submitted to Mr. Seaver, Superintendent, for his signature for land in the vicinity of Dudley Street Transfer Station, is next attached.

On May 27, 1903, a hearing was given on Girls' Latin land in the vicinity of Copley square, or in the Prince, Franklin, Dwight, or Martin Districts, as previously advertised.

CITY OF BOSTON, SCHOOLHOUSE DEPARTMENT,
MAY 22, 1903.

MR. EDWIN P. SEAVER,
Superintendent of Schools, Boston, Mass.:

DEAR SIR, — The Schoolhouse Commissioners deems it necessary to erect a Normal School and Training School in Boston, Roxbury District, and have selected for that purpose the following parcels of land:

A parcel of land located on Walnut avenue, between Bower and Harold streets, containing about 34,169 square feet supposed to belong to Mr. William A. Gaston.

Two parcels of land on Walnut avenue (one of which is at the corner of said Walnut avenue and Harold street, containing about 4,753 square feet, supposed to belong to William A. Paine).

Also a parcel of land comprising three lots adjacent to the Paine land, containing about 14,053 square feet, supposed to belong to Hannah Mathieson.

In accordance with Chapter 473 of the Acts of 1901, we most respectfully ask your written opinion of the above.

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,
Chairman, Schoolhouse Commission.

May 22. 1903.

MR. EDWIN P. SEAVER,
Superintendent of Public Schools, Boston.:

DEAR SIR, — The parcel of land which we are now proposing to take for the Normal School includes not only the Gaston estate, which you saw the other day, but the estate adjacent, across Harold street. This latter will, in my judgment, be large enough to acommodate the Normal and the Training School while its playground can be located on the Gaston estate. I am,

Very truly yours,
R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,
Chairman.

LAND OFFERED FOR GIRLS' LATIN SCHOOL.

Bidder, Owner and Location.	Contents.	Price per foot.
J. J. Cadigan, Huntington ave., opposite Symphony Hall,	39,033	$7.00
J. J. Cadigan, Huntington ave.	40,000	4.50
J. J. Cadigan, St. Botolph st., rear of above	30,000	4.50
J. J. Cadigan, Huntington ave., Bryant and Fencourt sts.,	.....	6.00
J. J. Cadigan, St. Stephen's st., between Gainsboro' and Bryant sts. (30,000 from either end.)	60,000	2.25
J. G. Freeman, Huntington ave., Drisko and Greenleaf sts.,	44,709	3.00
J. H. Storer (Trustees of Boston Water Power Company, owners), Tremont entrance and Worthington st.	31,470.7	*3.00
J. H. Storer (Trustees of Boston Water Power Company, owners), Worthington st.	31,195.3	**2.00
Additional land adjoining on northwest	.....	1.50
C. R. Evans, Westland ave.	15,820	4.00
C. R. Evans, Huntington ave.	19,254	5.00
C. R. Evans, Newbury st.	18,000	3.50
C. R. Evans, Berkeley st.	42,000	12.00
C. R. Evans, Huntington ave.	9,000	10.00
C. R. Evans, Huntington ave. and Falmouth st.	37,000	†6.00
C. R. Evans, Boylston st., near Fairfield st.	9,060.8	10.00
C. R. Evans, Boylston st., near Fairfield st.	12,668	9.00
C. R. Evans (Eldredge, owner), Massachusetts ave. and Astor st.	21,474	5.50
C. R. Evans, St. Botolph and Gainsboro' sts.	31,428	2.25
E. H. Eldredge & Co., agents (N. Y., N. H. and H. R.R., owners), Clarendon st.	30,000	9.00
E. H. Eldredge & Co., agents (N. Y.. N. H. and H. R.R., owners), Clarendon st.	30,000	9.00
E. H. Eldredge & Co., agents, Huntington ave., Longwood ave. and Worthington sts.	30,000	2.50
E. H. Eldredge & Co., agents, Longwood ave. and Worthington st. (More land in addition to above could be obtained)	30,000	2.00
E. H. Eldredge (Richards estate, owners), Brookline and Longwood aves.	30,000	1.50
E. H. Eldredge (Art Museum, owner), Dartmouth st.	30,000	‡
E. W. E. Thompson, Vancouver st.	26,155	3.00
Thomas Carberry, Westland ave., Batavia st.	30,384	4.50

*Or $94,412.10.

**Or $62,390.60.

† $6 on Falmouth street, $10 on Huntington avenue.

‡ Price might be obtained.

On May 27, 1903, we wrote Mr. Storer in connection with the expense of piling on the Boston Water Power Company land, and on the same date I wrote Mr. R. T. Paine, Jr., explaining as far as I could the situation at that time, and on the 28th I wrote to Mr. Seaver, copies of which letters I submit herewith:

May 27, 1903.

MR. ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JR.,

School Committee, Boston Public Schools:

DEAR MR. PAINE, — In connection with the conversation which we had this morning, it may interest you to know the result of the hearing in connection with bids on the Girls' Latin.

The Boston Water Power Company are willing to offer us the land in the rear of Worthington street, extending from Worthington street back of the property bought by Simmons College to the next Board of Survey street, a complete square containing about 120,000 square feet, averaging 600 feet long and 200 feet wide, at $1.50 per square foot. This land will be ample accommodation for the Normal, Training School, and Girls' Latin, but it must be borne in mind that it is close to the Martin, within a short distance of the new Kenwood Road Primary, and that for perhaps many years no Training School will be needed in this neighborhood to supply the actual school wants. If it was decided to purchase this land, it would mean that we would purchase and hold until such time as we could erect a Girls' Latin building, and hold again until you were ready to build the rest of the plant.

In the meantime it would be essential to take care of the needs of the Lewis District.

I am, very truly yours,

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,

Chairman.

MAY 28, 1903.

MR. EDWIN P. SEAVER,

Superintendent of Public Schools, Boston:

DEAR MR. SEAVER, — As I wrote to Mr. Paine yesterday, the Boston Water Power Company have offered us the whole block of land back of Worthington street, comprising 120,000 square feet, at $1.50 per square foot. This is sufficient room for the Girls' Latin, Normal, and Training School, but the amount which the Commissioners had set aside for the probable cost of these three was $140,000. This land would amount to $180,000. As far as the Normal itself is concerned, nothing could be better than the Boston Water Power Company land, but a Training School in connection therewith will not fill any immediate need, and we shall have to find some way to provide for the needs of the Lewis District.

I am, very truly yours,

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,

Chairman.

On June 4, 1903, the Normal site was located in the Martin District by the Normal School Committee ; no action yet of the Board. Please note the following orders received from the School Board.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, June 23, 1903.

Ordered, That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be informed that this Board hereby designates the Martin School District as the district within which the new Normal School shall be built.

Passed.

A true copy. Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, June 23, 1903.

Ordered, That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be informed that this Board hereby designates the Martin School District as the district within which the new Girls' Latin School shall be built.

Passed.

A true copy. Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

These orders, as you are doubtless aware, were passed after a careful consideration of the cost of the two propositions.

On June 12, 1903, saw the Mayor about the new location, and received a price from the Boston Water Power Company of $1.50 for the lot land and 75 cents for the street land.

On June 16, 1903, we received the following letter from the trustees of the Boston Water Power Company in regard to the land for streets.

JUNE 16, 1903.

To the Honorable the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — Since writing you under date of June 11, 1903, we have been asked by a member of the School Committee our reasons for making the modifications to our previous proposals therein contained.

I would state that when we made our first proposal we made this conditional as I orally stated to you, on our being able to assure the payment by the city to us for land contained in the abutting streets by having said streets laid out at the time of the conveyance to you. With this in view, I had a conference with the Mayor, and he stated to me that the city had at present no money to lay out streets and therefore could not lay out any at present. I therefore proposed to him that we would be willing to postpone payment for the land contained in the streets for a couple of years, putting in the land at a low price, say 75 cents per square foot. He said that although this might be a very fair arrangement, he would not sanction it, as he was not willing to saddle his successors with a burden. He suggested that a wise way would be for the Schoolhouse Commissioners to pay for the land in the streets as being the necessary ways to the schoolhouses.

The above, I think, gives the explanation of the matter. We should be willing to make the same arrangement with you about paying for the land in the streets that we suggested to the Mayor, that is, putting the land in the streets in at 75 cents per square foot and postponing payment therefor for a couple of years. Of course, if payment were thus postponed, we should expect to be paid a reasonable rate of interest thereon, say 4 per cent. per annum.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN H. STORER,
Trustee.

On July 2, 1903, the Schoolhouse Commissioners advertised for land, as per the following copy:

City of Boston. — Proposal for Land. — The Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston will receive sealed proposals for selling to the city land for site for Normal School, in the vicinity of the Martin School District, to contain about 60,000 square feet. All proposals should be submitted on or before Thursday, July 16, 1903, at 12 o'clock M., at the office of the Commissioners, 120 Boylston street, Boston. Said proposals will at that time be publicly opened and read, and thereafter a public hearing will be given by the Commissioners at said office on Thursday, July 23, 1903, at 2 o'clock P.M., at which hearing the proposals and suitableness of the land offered therein will be considered. The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all proposals.

R. Clipston Sturgis,
Frederic O. North,
Joseph J. Corbett,
Commissioners.

Next attached are copies of bids received.

Boston, July 13, 1903.

Schoolhouse Commissioners Boston, Mass.:

Gentlemen, — Referring to the advertisement in the Boston Post for 60,000 square feet of land for the Normal School, we beg to submit lot on Longwood avenue, shown on the enclosed plan, being the corner of Worthington street. Dimensions and number of feet are shown upon the same. The owners of this lot have authorized us to quote the price of two ($2) dollars a foot, the purchaser to assume all betterments on the land. About ten thousand (10,000) feet of this land in the rear of the lot are subject to possible encumbrances, through a Board of Survey street; said street, however, never having been laid out by the Street Commissioners.

Very truly yours,
Edward H. Eldredge & Co.

Boston, July 15, 1903.

Schoolhouse Commissioners, Boston, Massachusetts:

Gentlemen, — Referring to the advertisement in the Boston Post for 60,000 square feet of land for the Normal School, we beg to submit the following plans, being parts of lot X, shown on Plan A, herewith enclosed:

Plan 1, bounded by Worthington street, Longwood avenue, Huntington avenue, and the Tremont entrance to the Park, but not including the proposed street bordering on the Park, two dollars and sixty ($2.60) cents a foot.

Plan 2, bounded by Worthington street, unnamed street, and the proposed street bordering on the Tremont entrance to the Park, but not including the proposed street bordering on the Park, two dollars and twenty ($2.20) cents a foot.

Plan 3, bounded by Worthington street, Longwood avenue, Huntington avenue, and the Tremont entrance to the Park, including the street bordering on the Tremont entrance, two dollars and twenty-five ($2.25) cents a foot.

Plan 4, bounded by Worthington street, unnamed street, and the Tremont entrance to the Park, including the proposed street bordering on the Tremont entrance, one dollar and seventy-five ($1.75) cents a foot.

Each of these lots contain approximately sixty thousand (60,000) square feet of land. The owners wish to make the bids in this way, as they thought possibly the School Commissioners might like to purchase the proposed street bordering

on the Tremont entrance to the Park, and get the Board of Survey to release it as a Board of Survey street, and thus be able to build right down to the Park.

If the School Commissioners desire net building land, and do not care to buy this street, lots on plans 1 and 2 would be more suitable.

Plan B shows the soundings of this lot, reference being had to the figures in red ink, on Plan A. By this you will see that the soundings had to be made deeper and deeper as you get away from Longwood avenue, to arrive at solid foundation, and we believe you will find these soundings to be very good compared with other lots in this section.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD H. ELDREDGE & CO.

BOSTON, July 14, 1903.

Schoolhouse Commission, 120 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.:

GENTLEMEN, — We beg to offer you 64,000 feet of land in Ward 19, bounded on the north by Bellevue street, about 200 feet, on the west by Short street, 300 feet, on the south by Brookline avenue, about 280 feet, and on the east by land now or late of Jacob Edwards and Francis A. Demerritte.

We will offer this for $1.75 a foot.

Very truly yours,

BURROUGHS & DEBLOIS.

BOSTON, MASS., August 28, 1903.

The Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston, Boston, Mass.:

GENTLEMEN, — I am authorized by the trustees of the McLaughlin estate to offer you at $1.16 per foot the three lots of land bounded by Brookline avenue, Park and Bellevue streets in that part of the Back Bay District called Longwood. This property contains about 48,950 square feet of land and includes a lot assessed in the name of Adams, thereby taking in the entire Park street frontage from Brookline avenue to Bellevue street.

The price above suggested would seem to be very low judging from the figures named for lots offered to the city in the immediate vicinity, and I think this site should be especially considered in view of the fact that it fronts on a small park now belonging to the City of Boston, which would give additional light and air for the proposed school buildings as well as make a playground for the children.

Trusting I am not too late in submitting this offer for it to receive your consideration, and assuring you that I shall be very glad to meet your honorable Board at any time and furnish any other figures, plans, etc., as you may require.

I remain, very truly yours,

F. A. RUSSELL.

BOSTON, July 6, 1903.

To the Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston,
No. 120 Boylston Street, Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — In reply to your advertisement for proposal for land for a Normal School site, I hereby offer the lot of land bounded by Brookline avenue, Francis street, and the River Way, containing 57,500 square feet; price $100,000.

Yours very respectfully,

JOHN J. CADIGAN,

Agent.

BOSTON, July 16, 1903.

Schoolhouse Commissioners, City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — I herewith submit for your consideration a parcel of land for Normal School site, situated on the Parkway, Brookline avenue, Kenwood road, Vila street, and unnamed street, as shown on plan accompanying this letter, and containing 88,950 square feet.

The price for a part or whole of this lot is one dollar ($1.00) per foot.

Very respectfully yours,

J. C. SPILLANE.

BOSTON, July 16, 1903.

To the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners,

120 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.:

GENTLEMEN, — In pursuance to your advertisement of request for proposal for land for the new Normal School to be located in the vicinity of the Martin District, I beg to offer you the four lots of land marked respectively A, B, C, and D on the enclosed plan.

Lot A has frontages of about 450 feet on the Parkway, of about 200 feet on Longwood avenue, of about 395 feet on Plymouth street, and of about 65 feet on Bernier street, containing in all about 64,900 square feet.

Lot B has frontages on the Parkway of about 215 feet, on Bernier street of about 290 feet, and on Bellevue street of about 200 feet, with a depth from Bellevue street to the park, on private land, of about 190 feet, containing in all about 46,910 square feet.

Lot C has frontages on Longwood avenue and Woodstock street of about 220 feet each, and on Bellevue and Plymouth streets of about 116 feet each, and contains in all about 25,630 square feet.

Lot D has frontages on Brookline avenue and Bellevue street, each about 340 feet, and on Short street of about 300 feet, with a depth from Bellevue street to Brookline avenue, on private land, of about 300 feet, containing in all about 102,261 square feet.

I am authorized to offer any or all of the above-named lots at $2 per square foot.

I would call the attention of your Board to the accessibility of this land, the same being reached by electric cars via Brookline avenue and Longwood avenue, connecting with various parts of the city and being but a short distance from the Longwood Station of the Boston & Albany, Brookline Branch, Railroad. The land is all natural land, requiring, I believe, no piling, and is very handsomely wooded, making it especially attractive in its appearance.

Lot A has three street frontages and a large frontage on the Park, thus assuring light and air for all time. Lot B has three street frontages and a good-sized frontage on the Park, while all the four lots, or any two or three of them, have frontages on Bernier square, which is also park property and forever open.

This little square is also very handsomely wooded. The three lots, A, B and C, taken in conjunction, would give a piece of land on which a group of buildings could be built to especial advantage, for the reasons of assured air and light, and could be so arranged as to form a very attractive square about the little park, much on the principle of a college campus.

Should your Board be interested in this land, I should be glad to furnish any further particulars that may be needed.

I would state that the lots A and B are subject to the usual park restrictions.

Respectfully yours,

R. E. TOWNSEND.

July 6, 1903.

To the Honorable Schoolhouse Commissioners of the City of Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — In response to your advertisement for sealed proposals for selling to the city land for site for Normal School in the vicinity of the Martin School District, we submit the following offers:

First. — The lot marked X on the enclosed plans, containing 31,470.7 square feet, bounded southeasterly by Tremont entrance, northwesterly by Worthington street, and northeasterly and southwesterly by the side lines of Board of Survey streets 50 feet wide, at $3 per square foot, or $94,412.10.

Second. — Part of the block marked V. 1 on enclosed plans, situated on the opposite side of Worthington street from the lot marked X, above described, bounded northeasterly by the southwesterly line of Board of Survey street No. 220, a distance of 164.42 feet, and southeasterly by the northeasterly line of Board of Survey street No. 219, a distance of 202.55 feet, and southeasterly by Worthington street 173.55 feet, containing 31,195.3 square feet, as measured, exclusive of land in the Board of Survey streets, price, $2.00 per square foot, or $62,390.60. Additional land in said block adjoining said tract on the northwest, as much as may be desired, bounded northwesterly by a line at right angles with street No. 219, will be sold for $1.50 per square foot.

Third. — We will sell to the city the block marked V.1, bounded southeasterly by Worthington street, 173.55 feet; southwesterly by the northeasterly line of Board of Survey street No. 219, 601.25 feet; northwesterly by the southwesterly line of Board of Survey street No. 275, 219.29 feet, and northeasterly by the southwesterly line of Board of Survey street No. 220, 565.47 feet, containing 108,137.8 square feet of land, at $1.50 per square foot, amounting to $162,206.70.

With the above land we would sell, reserving rights of way for ourselves and other parties entitled thereto, as much of our land as lies in streets Nos. 220, 275, and 219, above mentioned, at 75 cents per square foot. The city to take all our street land along the other land taken, and thence to Worthington street.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN H. STORER,
Trustee, for
MOSES WILLIAMS,
JOHN H. STORER,
ARTHUR LYMAN,
Trustees of the Boston Water Power Co.

July 24, 1903.

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, ESQ., *Colonial Building, Boston:*

DEAR SIR, — We desire to offer to you as a site for the new Normal School a lot containing about 30,000 feet of land on the Tremont entrance to the Back Bay Fens. This land belongs to the estate of the late Edward Thompson, and now stands in the name of V. Mabel Thompson, Trustee. The land abuts about 250 feet on the Tremont entrance, 130 feet on land of Frederick Ayer, 250 feet on land of the same, 110 feet on land now or late of F. J. Ward. We are authorized to offer this land at $3.00 per foot. If the committee desires a larger tract than that offered by us, part of the adjoining land of Frederick Ayer on Huntington Avenue can be had at the same figure, to wit, $3.00 a foot.

Very truly yours,

MATTHEWS & THOMPSON,
S. R. S.

July 23, 1903.

Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street, Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — Representing the trustees of the Dana lands, I offer to your Board, for a site for the Normal School, a lot of land containing about 61,440 square feet, situated on three proposed streets, near Ipswich and Boylston streets, in the Back Bay Fens, and marked "A" on the enclosed sketch taken from plate 33 of the City Proper Atlas. As you will see the property fronts on three streets, each having a building line set-back of fifteen feet.

The property is all filled and ready to be improved.

Inasmuch as these streets are laid out and are not yet built, and as it is the custom in that vicinity to sell to the middle of the streets, the owners wish to sell their land to the middle of the streets on which this proposed site fronts. This would mean in the neighborhood of 18,000 square feet extra.

The owners offer this land at $1.00 per square foot.

The same owners also offer another site, namely, 60,000 square feet, more or less, from block marked "B" on said sketch, which block has frontages on Ipswich, Lansdowne and a proposed street. The exact location in said block to be agreed upon. They offer this land at $1.50 per foot.

Yours truly,

JOSEPH BALCH.

BOSTON, July 22, 1903.

Schoolhouse Commissioners, 120 Boylston Street, Boston:

DEAR SIRS, — We beg to submit to your Board, for your consideration, for the site of the proposed Normal School building, the Crafts estate, No. 779 Huntington avenue, Boston, acting under authority of the Trustee of this estate.

The property has a frontage on Huntington avenue of about 370 feet; a depth of about 356 feet on its westerly side, and of about 440 feet on its easterly side.

It adjoins the property of the City of Boston, on which is being erected the new Grammar School.

The property, containing about 79,030 square feet, is offered to you for this purpose at ninety cents (90 cents) per square foot.

Points in favor of this location occur to us as follows:

1. The proximity to Harvard University's proposed new buildings.

2. That this property adjoins the school-house estate, thus enabling an extension of that building, with additional yard room, if desired, or the grouping of the buildings in a manner yielding fine architectural effects, and particular attention is called to the beautiful old trees, a considerable portion of which it may be deemed advisable to save.

3. The ground is nearly level and is covered with a deep layer of exceptionally rich loam, under which lies (except in the southeast corner) a sub-strata of fine gravel instead of a sub-strata of rock found in adjoining properties.

4. This location, at the junction of Huntington avenue and Tremont street, will enable students from Allston, Brighton, Roxbury, Dorchester, and all parts of the city proper to reach the school speedily by means of the cars passing through Huntington avenue, or by way of Roxbury Crossing, or by way of the Elevated Railroad and its Dudley street connections, with cars crossing to Brookline, and, in our opinion, offers advantages in this direction that cannot be obtained at any point on or near Huntington avenue, between this point and Massachusetts avenue.

We should be pleased to supply you with any further information you may desire in regard to this estate, and will gladly appear before your committee at any hour of the day or evening which meets your convenience if you desire us to do so.

Very truly yours,

WHITCOMB, WEAD & CO.

P.S. — We hand you herewith a photograph of the estate, which we will thank you to return to us at your convenience.

Of the bids received up to date, an offer made by the Boston Water Power Company was altogether the most available.

Later we received an offer from Messrs. Matthews & Thompson of land on the Tremont entrance, back of the Fens, at $3. Of these latter bids, the only one that seemed worthy of careful consideration was that received July 22 from Messrs. Whitcomb, Wead & Co. This land was so much cheaper than the lots previously offered, and the advantage of it being solid, and not made land, and it being equally accessible, as far as surface cars were concerned, that we went more carefully into the consideration of the question. Between the time of the opening of the bids, on July 16, and the receipt of Messrs. Whitcomb, Wead & Co.'s offer of July 22, we had discussed with Mr. Bailey, and with others, the right of the Schoolhouse Commissioners to take land which was laid out by the Street Commissioners as Board of Survey streets, and paid for.

On the 17th of July, 1903, I had a letter from Mr. R. T. Paine, Jr., urging us to consider the lots offered by Mr. Spillane, to which I replied, as follows:

DEAR MR. PAINE, — Mr. Spillane's offer does not appear to me an advantageous one. It is on the limits of the District, on the Park and on the Brookline line. I am sincerely glad that the offer of the B. W. P. Co. makes it possible to put the Normal in this educational centre. Very naturally the Normal appears to you more important than the Latin, but if both have this advantageous position so much the better.

Thanking you for your note,

I am, truly yours,

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS.

On July 21, 1903, we received an offer from Mr. Richard C. Humphreys, and Mr. North and myself investigated this land.

Following is a copy of Mr. Humphreys' letter:

July 21, 1903.

DEAR MR. NORTH, — I write you in regard to the Plymouth street property in Longwood, belonging to the Board of Overseers of the Poor as Trustees of the Poor Fund, the income of which is devoted to the poor of Boston who have seen better days. I, as trustee of the above Board, am naturally desirous of getting all I can for the worthy poor of the city. This property has been offered to the Schoolhouse Commissioners as a site for the new Normal School. I see no reason why an amicable and just arrangement might not be made with the Board of Overseers of the Poor in regard to price.

Yours very truly,

RICHARD C. HUMPHREYS.

On July 23, 1903, at 2 o'clock P.M., a hearing was given relative to the suitableness of the land offered for a Normal School in the Martin District.

On August 4, 1903, had an interview with Mr. J. H. Storer about land for the Normal — original offer stands; cannot sell

without streets; will sell half of street at $1.00 and add interest at 6 per cent. to February, and wait for payment; $35,845 is the cost of the streets.

On August 6, 1903, a new proposition was received from the Boston Water Power Company. They do not release their right of way in street No. 220. Next attached are copies of correspondence between the Boston Water Power Company and this department.

August 4, 1903.

To the Honorable, The Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, City of Boston:

Gentlemen, — We submit the following as an alternative or addition to the proposals made in our letter of July 6, 1903:

We will sell to the city for school purposes the land shown on plan "V. 1." dated December 5, 1901, made by William H. Whitney, bounded by the northwesterly line of Worthington street, and by the middle line of streets numbered 219, 275, and 220, as shown on said plan, containing 143,982.9 square feet of land, for $203,993.35, payable February 1, 1904.

Rights of way will be given in said streets 219, 275, and 220 as shown on said plan as far as the northwesterly line of street No. 275 and the southwesterly line of street 219, reserving rights of way in all of said streets to ourselves and to such other parties as we have granted or may grant such rights therein.

Taxes to be adjusted as of August 1, 1903. The numbered streets above referred to are streets laid down on the plans of the Board of Survey.

Yours very truly,

JOHN H. STORER,

For Self and Co-Trustees.

MOSES WILLIAMS,
JOHN H. STORER,
ARTHUR LYMAN,

Trustees of the Boston Water Power Co.

August 6, 1903.

To the Trustees of the Boston Water Power Company, Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — We are in receipt of your proposition of June 11, offering to sell to the Schoolhouse Department the land shown on plan "V.1," and one-half of the streets adjacent, for the sum of two hundred three thousand nine hundred ninety-three and $\frac{35}{100}$ ($203,993.35) dollars. I see that you still reserve your rights in street No. 220. I do not think that the Commissioners would be willing to purchase unless they had it in their power to agree with the Simmons College to close this street between Worthington street and Board of Survey street No. 275.

I am, very truly yours,

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,

Chairman.

On August 11, 1903, Mr. North and myself looked over sites near Kenwood road and Bernier park. I then wrote to Mr. Lefavour, president of Simmons College, in regard to closing Board of Survey street between the land we proposed to purchase and Simmons College.

August 12, 1903.

MR. HENRY LEFAVOUR, OGUNQUIT, MAINE:

MY DEAR SIR, — The Commissioners merely had in mind that there should be open land and no street or right of way between them and Simmons College. If the land is taken for school purposes for this department, there will be placed upon it the Normal and the Training School in connection therewith, and the Girls' Latin School. The lot contains something over 100,000 square feet, and a considerable proportion of this land would be left open and unoccupied. The apparent size of which would be further increased by the street lying between ourselves and Simmons College. It seems to the Commissioners that if the city took this land it would be both to the advantage of the city and of the college that there should be no street between the two properties. The Commissioners have not definitely decided to take this land, as other properties are under consideration, but it would be a matter to be considered in favor of said property if we could protect ourselves from a thoroughfare on one of the four sides, and have another educational institution as a neighbor.

We should be very glad to have some advice from you, even if it were an informal action, before the meeting of your corporation in September. I am,

Very respectfully yours,

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,
Chairman.

Mr. Viaux made the following proposition, but the price submitted made the land out of the question:

August 15, 1903.

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS, ESQ.,
Chairman Schoolhouse Commission:

DEAR SIR, — Since seeing you in regard to the Fenway lot for a school site, I have been examining the locus with more care, and I find that it is possible to combine the 100,000 square feet you thought advisable for the two schools as follows (see sketch):

	Square Feet.
A. Water Power lot, 70x206, subject to City of Boston Stony brook easement	14,420
B. Fenway Land Co., 176.26x206	36,308.9
C. Wellington lot, 54x120	6,480
D. Porter lot, irregular	16,286
E. Fenway Land Co., irregular	8,873.3
F. Savage lot, irregular	8,445
G. Fenway Land Co., 124.09x70	8,686.3
H. Passageways	4,205.4
	103,704.9

The entire frontages of the different parcels are:

On the Fenway, about	396.26 ft
On Huntington avenue, about	292.00 ft.
On Hemenway street, about	600.00 ft.
Total, about	1,288.26 ft.

I have reason to think that, owing to certain circumstances, if this entire lot is considered favorably by your Commission now, it may be combined as a whole at about $3.00 per square foot. It has such extraordinary advantages over all other proposed sites for a building of such consequence as a combined Girls' Normal and Latin School would naturally be in its long and admirable park

frontages, its fine light and air, its location directly opposite the Art Museum, its marked freedom from all city noises, while being at the same time a step only from car routes on Huntington avenue, that even if it may cost a little more than your Commission are inclined to pay for the school site, it is well worth the extra cost. The steady increment in value of such a prominent lot as this, with its many factors of value is assured, and as any site selected would doubtless become permanent for school purposes for at least half a century to come, the city's investment in this lot could not fail to be a highly advantageous one.

I beg to ask your Commission to give further consideration to this matter under this presentation of facts and to kindly advise me thereon. I should be glad to give what further particulars you may desire in relation to the land.

Very truly yours,

F. H. VIAUX.

In view of the facts as laid before us, we decided to communicate with the Committee on School Houses, which we did as follows:

August 11, 1903.

MR. C. L. BURRILL,

Chairman of Committee on School Houses, Boston:

DEAR MR. BURRILL, — We have taken no definite action as yet in regard to the land for the Normal or Girls' Latin Schools, and I am inclined to think it would be desirable for us to withhold our decision on this matter until we meet again and lay all the facts now in our possession before the Committee on School Houses and Mr. Seaver and receive their advice.

As the offer of the trustees of the Boston Water Power Company now stands, we are at liberty to buy a piece of land somewhat larger than we need, and streets which we do not need at all, and which eventually the City of Boston may take, and take without paying us anything for them. So that our investment there would be something over $200,000, and added to that the expense of piling for foundations of the building to be erected.

On the other hand, we are offered lots, some near Longwood avenue and the Park, and one lot adjoining our own property on Kenwood road. This latter is on the Huntington avenue line and within a very short distance of the Tremont street line, and as far as car service is concerned is quite as accessible as the land of the Boston Water Power Company. It is not, however, so near the Museum of Fine Arts, Simmons College and the other institutions which are considered advantageous in connection with the other site. On the other hand, if we take the property adjoining Kenwood-road School, which is practically 80,000 square feet and offered at 90 cents per square foot, it would mean an investment in land of about $72,000 instead of $200,000, and as it is comparatively high land, no expense would be involved in connection with piling. It would, furthermore, be possible, I should think, to embody the present Kenwood-road School in our general scheme and use that as a training school, enlarging it as necessary on the new land. This would add the whole area of the Kenwood road lot to the new lot, and the total area would be about 108,000 square feet.

If you agree with me, we will hold action on this matter until the Committee on School Houses can be called together to consult with us.

I am, very truly yours,

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,

Chairman.

On August 17, 1903, hold decision until Mr. Seaver and Committee on School Houses return.

On August 18, 1903, saw Mr. Charles, Chairman of Board of

Street Commissioners, relative to the proposed thoroughfare through Ruggles street, by which it was hoped to give more direct communication to Huntington avenue from the neighborhood of Dudley Street Transfer.

I have also seen General Bancroft relative to the same subject, and although he is not ready to promise anything, but states that the Boston Elevated will be prepared to provide whatever facilities are required by our needs.

On August 21, 1903, we wrote Messrs. Whitcomb, Wead & Company in reply to their letter of the 20th, copies of which I submit herewith :

August 20, 1903.

The Honorable Board of School House Commissioners,
120 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.:

DEAR SIRS, — It has just occurred to us that the Crafts estate, 779 Huntington avenue, which we submitted to your Board as a site for the proposed Normal School building, has an advantage which we overlooked, namely, the fact that a street has been laid out by the city and partially constructed, leading from Kenwood road to the rear line of this lot, which would give the property a rear entrance which would be of decided advantage in the daily use of the building if constructed thereon.

The writer, Mr. Lawrence Whitcomb, again wishes to suggest that he would be glad to appear before your Board if you desire further information in regard to this property.

We remain, very truly yours,

WHITCOMB, WEAD & CO.

August 21, 1903.

MESSRS. WHITCOMB, WEAD & CO.,
16 State Street, Boston:

GENTLEMEN, — The Commissioners are considering the proposition made by you in connection with the Crafts estate, but no action will be taken in this matter until the return of Superintendent Seaver and the various members of the School Committee who are interested in the matter.

I am, truly yours,

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,
Chairman.

In the meanwhile I, myself, made a study of the situation with a view to seeing whether the buildings could be accommodated to advantage on the Crafts lot, and decided that it would probably be necessary to purchase one and possibly two estates on Kenwood road, adjoining the new Kenwood-road School.

On September 14, 1903 — At the Committee on School Houses, Mr. Paine and Mr. Casey of Committee on Normal School present, the Crafts and Worthington-street sites were compared, but no vote was passed. The general feeling was in favor of the Worthington-street site.

I am, very respectfully yours,

R. CLIPSTON STURGIS,
Chairman.

Mr. Kenny offered the following:

Payment to Patrick H. Hogan.

Ordered, That there be paid to Patrick H. Hogan, the sum of sixty dollars ($60) for a course of twelve study lectures in steam engineering given in the South Boston Educational Centre during the months of November and December, 1903.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Merritt it was

Unfinished business referred.

Ordered, That all unfinished business at the close of this meeting be referred to the next School Board.

Mr. Merritt offered the following:

Vote of thanks to President of Board.

Ordered, That the thanks of the Board be presented to Mr. Grafton D. Cushing, the President of the Board, for the able, dignified, and courteous manner in which he has presided over its deliberations.

The question being put by the Secretary, the order was passed unanimously by a rising vote.

The President made a brief and appropriate response.

Appointment of Grace Crandon as primary assistant, Chapman District. [See p. 473.]

On motion of Mr. Keough, the appointment on probation in the Chapman District, of Grace Crandon, of Boston, as assistant, Primary School, fourth year, from Nov. 25, 1903, was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Keough, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Brett, the doors were opened, the vote being as follows:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Brock, Burrill, Casey, Clark, Cushing, Miss Dierkes, Messrs. Keenan, Kenny, Keough, and Mulvey — 11.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Mr. Bolster, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Merritt, and Pierce — 8.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Ellis, McDonald, Paine, Storrow, and Vogel.

Mr. Keough moved that the aforesaid appointment of Grace Crandon be recommitted to the Superintendent.

The motion was declared passed.

Mr. Pierce doubted the vote, and on his motion the yeas and nays were ordered for its verification.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Brett, Brock, Casey, Clark, Miss Dierkes, Mrs. Duff, Messrs. Keenan, Kenny, Keough, and Mulvey — 10.

Nays: Miss Barrows, Messrs. Bolster, Burrill, Cushing, Ernst, Gallivan, Harkins, Merritt, and Pierce — 9.

Absent or not voting: Messrs. Ellis, McDonald, Paine, Storrow, and Vogel.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Ernst moved a general reconsideration of all action previously taken at this meeting and not included in previous similar motions, hoping the same would not prevail.

Lost.

Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Keenan, the Board adjourned *sine die.*

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

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